

# ADULT PROGRAMS CONT.

### \*Sunday Serenades

**Sunday, April 13 from 2-3 PM**

The jazz group Nu Zeta will play pieces from the *Great American Songbook* for National Jazz Appreciation month.

### She, Unsung #4

**Tuesday, April 15 from 2:30-4 PM**

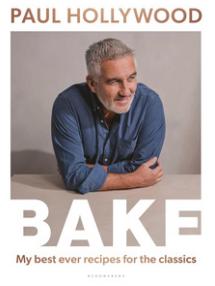
She, Unsung is the result of a collaborative research project about Rochester-connected women you may not have heard about. Join us for this fourth installment. Presenters Chandra McKenzie and Anne Coon are poets and published writers who retired from academic careers at RIT.



### Cookbook Club

**Wednesday, April 16th from 6-7 PM**

Join Librarian Ryan for BML's tastiest book club! Each meeting will feature a different cookbook from which the participants will make a dish to share at the meeting. We will also discuss our cooking experiences. The book club will meet bi-monthly. This month we will be cooking from *Bake* by Paul Hollywood. Registration required.



### How It Works:

1. Register for the event.
2. Stop in BEFORE the event to browse the month's selected cookbook at the information desk.
3. Choose the recipe you'd like to make.
4. Make a photocopy of that recipe to take home.
5. Make it and bring it to the event to share.

### Mystery Book Club

**Wednesday, April 23 from 2:30-3:30 PM OR Thursday, April 24 from 5-6 PM**

Join Librarian Katie to discuss *Magpie Murders* by Anthony Horowitz. "When editor Susan Ryeland is given the manuscript of Alan Conway's latest novel, she has no reason to think it will be much different from any of his others -- but the more Susan reads, the more she's convinced that there is another story hidden in the pages of the manuscript: one of real-life jealousy, greed, ruthless ambition, and murder." -- Publisher review. Copies are available for checkout at the Check-Out Desk starting March 20. Register for either session.

### \*Women in Politics:

#### Jeanette Rankin

**Wednesday, April 30 from 3-4 PM**

In 1916, Jeanette Rankin was the first woman ever elected to Congress. She had been involved in the the Suffragist Movement and was a pacifist who voted against WWI. She was re-elected to Congress in 1940 and was the only person to vote against entering WWII. Learn more about this trailblazing woman in this talk by History Professor Mark Sample. Registration required.



## TECHNOLOGY

### \*Spam, Shams & Other Scams

**Monday, April 7 from 1-2:30 PM**

Learn how to protect your computer, data, and finances from online bad actors. Presented by Daniel Jones. Registration required.

### Tech Tutors

#### Ongoing

Do you need help downloading eBooks, accessing our databases, or setting up an email? Our librarians can help. Register by calling 784-5300 or emailing [bmlcurbsidepickup@gmail.com](mailto:bmlcurbsidepickup@gmail.com).

## BML Tips:

- Programs with an \*asterisk\* are sponsored by Friends of Brighton Memorial Library.
- Register for programs online at [www.brightonlibrary.org/events](http://www.brightonlibrary.org/events) or call 784-5300.
- To request curbside pickup, email [bmlcurbsidepickup@gmail.com](mailto:bmlcurbsidepickup@gmail.com).
- All programs are free, open to the public, and subject to change. Check our website at [www.brightonlibrary.org](http://www.brightonlibrary.org) for updates.
- Learn about our monthly programs by email. Sign up for our e-newsletter on our website's homepage, [www.brightonlibrary.org](http://www.brightonlibrary.org).
- Visit the Friends of BML bookstore during regular library hours. All proceeds go toward library programming.



# APRIL 2025 PROGRAMS

## BRIGHTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY



## BML Open & Curbside Hours

**M/T/W/TH: 9 AM-8 PM**  
**FRI: 9 AM-6 PM**  
**SAT\*/SUN: NOON-4 PM**

\*Closed Saturdays from June 15-September 15

## Special Events & Closings

- April 20 Closed for the Easter Holiday
- April 24-28 Friends Book Sale -- New Location!
- April 24 Opening at 11 AM for staff meeting

### **Brighton Memorial Library**

2300 Elmwood Ave, Rochester, NY 14618  
585.784.5300 | [brightonlibrary.org](http://brightonlibrary.org)

## STORYTIMES

### Wobbly Toddlers Storytime

**Tuesdays, April 1, 8, 22 & 29 at 10:30 AM**

Drop-in storytime for young children just starting to walk with their caregivers can join us for thirty minutes of stories, songs, and finger plays.

### Lapsit Baby Storytime

**Tuesdays, April 1, 8, 22 & 29 at 11:30 AM**

Drop-in storytime for infants and pre-walkers with their caregivers can join us for thirty minutes of songs and board book share.

### Pajama Storytime

**Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 23 & 30 at 6:30 PM**

Drop-in storytime featuring stories, songs, and finger-plays for all ages with their caregiver. Held in the Brighton Kiwanis Discovery Room.

### Bright Kids All Ages Storytime

**Fridays, April 4, 11 & 25 at 10:30 AM**

Drop-in storytime featuring stories and songs for all ages with a caregiver.

### All Ages Storytime

**Mondays, April 7, 21 & 28 at 9:30 AM**

Drop-in storytime featuring stories, songs, and activities for all ages with a caregiver.

### Tot Time Storytime

**Mondays, April 7, 21 & 28 at 10:15 AM**

Drop-in storytime featuring stories, songs, and activities. Designed for children ages 18 months to 3 years with a caregiver, but all ages are welcome.

### Special Music-Themed Storytime

**Saturday, April 19 from 2-2:30 PM**

Drop-in storytime featuring songs and activities for all ages with a caregiver, which will be



followed by a special performance by the Eastman School's Maple Quartet.

## CHILDREN & FAMILY PROGRAMS

### Talking is Teaching Bundles

#### Available monthly

Sign up to receive monthly themed Talking is Teaching Bundles for children ages birth to 4 years at [www.BrightonLibrary.org/children](http://www.BrightonLibrary.org/children).

# CHILDREN & FAMILY CONT.

### \*Unicorns Scavenger Hunt

Available all month  
Pick up a unicorn themed scavenger hunt and see if you can find all the pictures hiding in the Children's Center. Bring your completed scavenger hunt to the Children's Librarian for a small prize.

### \*Library Learning Lab: Show me the Money!

Wednesday, April 2 at 10:30 AM  
Learn about money and financial literacy through interactive games and hands-on stations. Best for ages 6+.



### \*LEGO® Club

Thursdays, April 3 & 17 at 4:30 PM  
Children can build from an individual container of the library's blocks and then display their creations in our Children's Center.

### Pokémon Meet and Swap

Saturday and Sunday, April 5 & 6 at 1 PM  
Gather your trainer friends and stop by BML to meet other trainers, swap cards, and work on your card collection. Card trading is encouraged but not mandatory. Open to ages 6-12.

### Read with RocDog!

Tuesday, April 15 at 6:30 PM  
Grab a book and read to a dog! We'll have volunteer handlers and dogs from RocDog on hand to visit with and listen to stories. Please be considerate of others waiting their turn and limit your reading time as needed. Reading to trained therapy dogs who love to listen is a great way for kids to build confidence reading out loud.

### \*Dog Man Party

Wednesday, April 16 at 10:30 AM  
Celebrate all things Dog Man with crafts and activities. Open to ages 5-11 and their caregivers. Registration required.

### \*Focus on Frogs with A Frog House

Friday, April 18 at 10:30 AM  
Learn about native frogs and how to help them thrive as we celebrate Save the Frogs Day with local advocacy center A Frog House. Best for ages 4 and up.

### Toddler Dance Party Wednesday, April 23 at 10 AM

Toddlers and their caregivers can dance out their sillies to some favorite tunes. Designed for ages 18 months-3 years, but all ages are welcome.

### Bilingual Mandarin-English Storytime Sunday, April 27 at 2 PM

Join us for a bilingual storytime in Mandarin and English! All ages with a caregiver. 歡迎所有任何有興趣的兒童與家長或與其照顧者一起參加我們的普通話故事及兒歌時間

## ALL AGES

### Music for All with the Eastman School of Music Saturday, April 19 from 2:30-3:15 PM

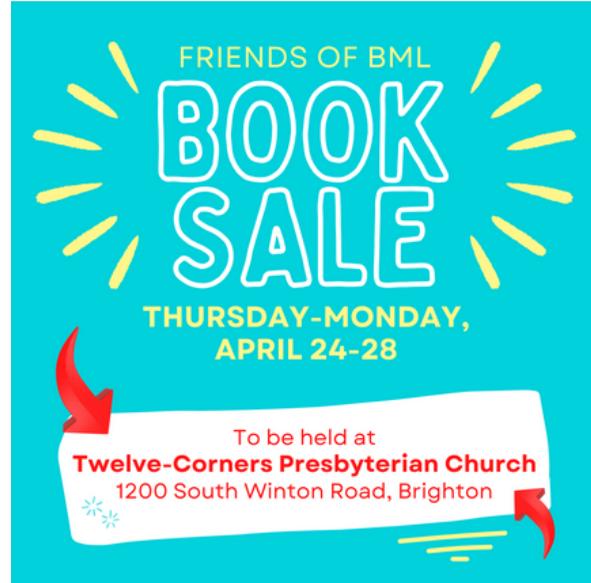
As part of the Eastman School of Music's Music for All program, enjoy the Maple Quartet's violin & cello performance. Doors will open at 2:25 for this event.

### Easter Holiday Sunday, April 20

Brighton Memorial Library will be closed on Sunday, April 20 for the Easter holiday.

### Staff Meeting – Opening Late Thursday, April 24 at 11 AM

Brighton Memorial Library will open at 11 AM rather than 9 AM on Thursday, April 24 for our monthly staff meeting.



Register for Teen/Tween & Adult programs by calling 784-5300 or online at [brightonlibrary.org/events](http://brightonlibrary.org/events).

## TEEN/TWEEN PROGRAMS

### \*Tween Swag Bags: A Poem in Your Pocket April 1-15

Tweens in grades 4-8 can register for BML's monthly subscription service: Tween Swag Bags (TSB)! Each monthly bag will contain themed library books, freebies, crafts or activities, and snacks. Fill out the TSB registration form at [www.brightonlibrary.org/teens](http://www.brightonlibrary.org/teens), and we'll contact you when your TSB is ready for pickup.

### \*Wonderful Waffles!

Tuesday, April 1 from 6:30-7:30 PM  
Make yourself breakfast for dinner in this cooking program with the Storybook Cook. Open to grades 3-8. Registration required.

### Teen Writing Club

Saturdays, April 12 & 26 from 1-2 PM  
Join us for a casual meeting open to writers at any level, style, or subject. Meet your group leader Vivian, a teen multi-year winner of our Alice B. Wilson Literary Contest, in the Teen Center of the library. Use writing prompts, share what you're working on (keep it PG-13), meet potential critique partners, and more. Open to grades 6-12. Registration required.

### \*Tween Book Swap

Monday, April 14 from 1-2 PM  
Do you own books that you don't need anymore? Are you looking for something new to take home and read? Come to Tween Book Swap and bring up to 5 of your gently used books that are appropriate for readers in grades 3-8. Then browse the books others have brought and choose up to 5\*\* to bring home yourself. Stay for snacks and reading/book talk time. \*\*You can take home the same number of books you brought. Any books not taken home will go to the Friends of BML for their April book sale. Open to grades 3-8.

### \*Tween Comedy Improv Workshop

Tuesday, April 15 from 11 AM-Noon  
Join local performer Joanne Brokaw for an adventure in improv. You can't fail at this fabulously fun performance medium that helps to build confidence, hone social skills, and foster teamwork in a safe, supportive environment. Open to grades 4-8. Registration required.

# ADULT PROGRAMS

### \*Books Sandwiched In

Thursday, April 3 from Noon-1 PM  
Join us for a presentation on *The Year of Living Constitutionally* by A.J. Jacobs, which shares the author's humorous yet insightful attempt to literally live the U.S. Constitution. Presented by Judge Vik Vilku, Brighton Town Justice.

### \*Woven Chain Bracelet Workshop

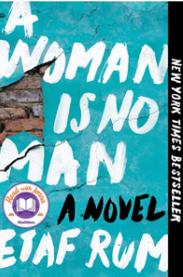
Tuesday, April 8 from 2-3:30 PM  
Participants will learn to incorporate leather, beads, and 2 different types of chain into a unique bracelet with Lyn Nadeau. Registration required.

### Best of the Fest Mini Film Festival

Wednesday, April 9 from 6-7:30 PM  
Enjoy audience-favorite short films from the Rochester International Film Festival. The films feature a variety of topics and genres created by filmmakers from across America and around the world. Registration required.

### Bestseller Book Club

Thursday, April 10 from 5-6 PM  
Led by Librarian Caitlin, this month we will be discussing *A Woman is No Man* by Etaf Rum. Eighteen-year-old Palestinian American Deya meets with suitors for an arranged marriage, despite the fact she'd rather go to college. She is sharing the same fate as her mother, who came to the USA from Palestine as a teenager for her own arranged marriage in 1990. The book alternates between the stories of mother and daughter, revealing to Deya secrets of her family and her community. Copies are available at the Check-Out Desk. Registration required.



### How to Run a Successful Garage Sale

Friday, April 11 from 1-2 PM  
Those interested in running their own garage sale this season can gather practical tips from garage sale aficionado Len Lustik. He will share both the buyer's and seller's side of the sale using a dose of humor from his 50 years of garage sale experience. Registration required.

### \*Adult Improv Workshop

Saturday, April 12 from 12:30-1:30 PM  
If you've always wanted to try your hand at improv theater or just want to have a laugh, join Joanne Brokaw for this fun, no-pressure workshop. Open to ages 18+. Registration required.