

Friends of the Children-Boston
Activities Calendar Monday, November 24th - Sunday, November 30th

Monday

Telling Your Family's Story

Bring your family and create a book to tell your story. Pre-registration is required.

Date/Time: Monday Nov. 24 at 6pm

Location: Adams Street Branch Library, 690 Adams Street, Dorchester

Phone: 617-436-6900

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free

Book Discussion

The Emperor's Children by Claire Messud.

Date/Time: Nov. 24 at 7 p.m.

Location: Connolly Branch Library, 433 Centre St., Jamaica Plain

Phone: 617-522-1960

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free

Tuesday

Errol Flynn Film Series

The Sea Hawk (1940, 109 min).

Date/Time: Tuesday Nov. 25 at 1 p.m.

Location: South Boston Branch Library, 646 East Broadway

Phone: 617-268-0180

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free

Wednesday

Read Aloud with Arthur

Join us in Arthur's classroom for stories of harvest seasons and make an Arthur ears crown.

Date/Time: Wednesday Nov. 26, 2-3pm

Location: Boston Children's Museum, 300 Congress St, Boston

Phone: 617-426-6500

Website: www.bostonchildrensmuseum.org

Cost: Museum admission

Thursday

Happy Thanksgiving!!!

Friday

Cultural Survival's 30th Annual Winter Bazaar Series

This year is Cultural Survival's 30th Annual Winter Bazaar Series. The Cultural Survival Bazaars are the biggest international craft & art fair in America. These are free-admission

events offering attendees the unique opportunity to shop fairly traded items, handmade by indigenous peoples in Africa, Asia, and the Americas.

Date/Time: Friday, Nov. 28 10am-6pm

Location: Cambridge College, 1000 Mass Ave, Cambridge

Phone: 617-441-5400

Website: www.cs.org

Cost: Free

Films for Kids

The Spiderwick Chronicles (2008, 107 min., PG)

Date/Time: Friday Nov. 28

Location: Rabb Lecture Hall, Central Library in Copley Square

Phone: 617-536-5400

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free

Saturday

Holiday Program

Riverside Theater works presents a performance from upcoming shows *Miracle on 34th Street* and *The King and I*, sponsored by the Friends of the Hyde Park Branch library.

Date/Time: Saturday, Nov. 29 at 2 p.m.

Location: Hyde Park Branch Library, 35 Harvard Ave.

Phone: 617-361-2524

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free

Sunday

27th Annual Anderson Tree Lighting

Entertainment for the whole family including magicians, face painting, bridal carriage rides, ferris wheel, stage shows, and free pictures with Santa Claus! Everyone is Invited!

Tree Lighting @ 4:30pm with Mayor Menino at the Municipal Building with Tree

Lighters: Hyde Park's Iraq & Afghanistan Veterans

Date/Time: Sunday Nov. 30, 1-5:30pm

Location: Cleary Square, River St, Hyde Park

Phone: 617-635-3911

Website: www.cityofboston.gov

Cost: Free

Family Friends

Into the Woods

Looking for a fun, inexpensive family holiday alternative to the Nutcracker or Scrooge? Come see INTO THE WOODS!!! For less than it costs to park your car and buy 1 ticket downtown, you can bring the whole family to this fully-staged musical featuring a talented cast in a setting where kids will be close to the action! A lively irreverent fantasy a la "Princess Bride" is a moving lesson about community responsibility and the stories

we tell our children. Stephen Sondheim's fractured fairy tale features an ambivalent Cinderella, a blood-thirsty Little Red Ridinghood, a Prince Charming with a roving eye and a Witch...who raps?

Date/Time: Nov 14-Dec 14. Family performances December 27-30!

Location: Turtle Lane Playhouse, 283 Melrose St., Newton, MA, 02466

Phone: 617-244-0169

Website: <http://www.turtlelane.org>

Cost: \$25

Gingerbread Tea

The Swan Cafe offers a seasonal assortment of sweet and savory delicacies as well as some rare and very special teas. Please bring a new, unwrapped toy for donation to Horizons for Homeless Children. Note that the phone number listed on the website is incorrect; please call the number listed below.

Date/Time: Ongoing Daily 11/14/08 – 12/12/08

Location: Boston Park Plaza Hotel and Towers, 50 Park Plaza at Arlington St

Phone: 617.426.2000

Website: <http://www.bos... erbreadtea.pdf>

Cost: Adults \$32.50; Children \$16.50

The Mayor's Holiday Special

Enjoy the city and take advantage of Boston's renowned holiday music, dance, and theater traditions with the *Mayor's Holiday Special*, which runs throughout the holiday season. The Mayor's special includes over 40 discounted performances - half-price! - for some of Boston's most beloved cultural institutions. Check the website for details.

Date/Time: Ongoing Daily 11/1/08 – 1/1/09

Website: <http://www.art... mhs/index.html>

Cost: Varies

Ongoing

Third Annual Festival of Wreaths

Eleven area designers professionally "deck the halls" in seasonal holiday decor to create a holiday show house for this special fundraising event. Tickets to the event are \$10 and one-of-a-kind wreaths and other holiday items will be raffled off with all proceeds benefiting the Room to Dream Foundation, dedicated to creating healing environments for children and adolescents facing chronic and debilitating illnesses.

Date/Time: 10AM-4PM, Mon. thru Fri.; 11AM-2PM Sat., Nov. 29 and Sat., Dec. 6; and 1PM-5PM, Sun., Nov. 30 and Sun., Dec. 7.

Location: Van Millwork Showroom, 65 Crawford St, Needham, MA

Phone: 781-444-8744

Website: www.roomtodreamfoundation.org, www.searchboston.com/happenings

Cost: \$10

Drum Experience

Students learn to play drums, recite poetry and dance.

Date/Time: Saturdays through June at noon.
Location: Dudley Branch Library, 65 Warren St., Roxbury
Phone: 617-442-6186
Website: www.bpl.org
Cost: Free

It's All About Arts

A workshop for teens with artists from the [Roslindale Arts Alliance](#). Teens will learn crafts, painting, and other art forms. Supplies are included.

Date/Time: Saturdays, Nov. 1, 8, Dec. 13 and Sunday, Nov. 16, Dec. 21 at 2pm.

Location: Central Library in Copley Square

Phone: 617-536-5400

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free

Creative Drama

Library Creative Drama Inc. offers creative drama as a tool for learning for children ages 7-12.

Date/Time: Thursdays through Nov. 20, at 3pm

Location: Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street

Phone: 617-242-1248

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free

Baby Sitter's Club

Those ages 11 -15 can get their Red Cross babysitter's certification by attending one group of two classes offered each month. Sign up in advance.

Date/Time: Tuesdays, Oct. 21, 28, Nov. 18, 25, Dec. 9, 16, Jan. 13, 20 and Feb. 10, 17 from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Location: Dudley Branch Library, 65 Warren St., Roxbury

Phone: 617-442-6186

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free

EcoKids Environmental Club

Fun activities for kids ages 8 to 12 to learn more about the environment.

Date/Time: Wednesdays through Nov. 19 at 4:30pm

Location: Honan-Allston Branch Library, 300 North Harvard St

Phone: 617-787-6313

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free

Drop-In Science – Codman Square

Children will learn about science in fun experiments. No meeting Nov. 11.

Date/Time: Tuesdays Oct. 14 through Nov. 25 at 3 p.m.

Location: Codman Square Branch Library, 690 Washington St., Dorchester

Phone: 617-436-8214

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free

Drop-in Science – Fields Corner

Hands-on science activities for children in grades 2 and up.

Date/Time: Saturdays, Oct. 18 though Nov. 22 at 11 a.m.

Location: Fields Corner Branch Library, 1520 Dorchester Ave, Dorchester

Phone: 617-436-2155

Website: www.bpl.org

Cost: Free