





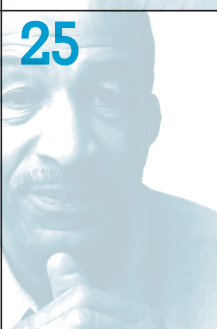
2024

February

Take your first steps with the PNC Fairfax Connection.

A free resource center dedicated to helping the community learn and grow with classes, workshops, events and programs

Hours: Mon, Thurs & Fri • 10 am – 4 pm | Tues & Wed • 10 am – 7 pm | Sat • 10 am – 1 pm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Creative Design – Basic 11:00 am – 12:30 pm Computers 101 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	2 Building Blocks 11:30 am – 12:30 pm	3 Digital Music Recording & Production: Basic 10:00 am – 11:30 am Digital Recording & Engineering: Advanced 11:30 am – 1:00 pm Basic Yoga 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Teen Tech Trailblazers: Discovering Design 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
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Workshop & Special Event Descriptions

Basic Computer Skills: These days, it's important for everyone to have basic computer skills. Join this workshop to learn the basics, including creating a Gmail account, sending an email, basic word processing, how to search the internet, and more.

Basic Yoga: Yoga is a unique way of strengthening and toning the body. Join us with our partner My Village Yoga for Saturday yoga sessions at the PNC Fairfax Connection! Whether you are new to yoga or have taken classes, this is the best place for you to start.

Black History 365: As we all know, Black History is more than a month of engagement — it's relevant 365 days a year. There is an abundance of content that we will explore to highlight the history of the Black experience. Join our gathering as we discuss and engage in this month's Black History topic.

Book Club: One of the pleasures of reading a good book is discussing it with others who have read it. Our Book Club provides a forum to rave about what you've just read or to debate participants' various reactions to the same book. Join us for your Connection to the literary world as we discuss our shared experiences of our selected book.

Building Blocks: This is a weekly program for children that features storytime, arts & crafts, music or an appearance by a PNC Grow Up Great® partner. Ages 3–6.

Celebrate Your Wins: This workshop is an immersive experience that underscores the profound impact of recognizing and rejoicing in personal achievements, no matter how big or small. While many are driven by goals for the future, pausing to celebrate the journey's milestones can boost motivation, improve mental well-being and foster resilience.

Computers 101: Join this 8-week program that will provide you with an introduction to laptops and desktops, understanding mobile apps, and safe internet navigation. This workshop is designed to help seniors and adults learn computer basics.

Connecting with the Community: Join us to hear about community events and prepare to share. All programs discussed must be open to the public, be nonpolitical and not require any experience to attend. This session will always commence directly after Tacos with Traci.

Creative Design: Join us and our partner Jamal "JayWorking" Collins to learn how to brand yourself using the art of graphic design. We will be discussing creative platforms such as Canva and Photoshop.

- **Basic:** An introduction to graphic design using the Canva platform.

Digital Music Recording & Production – Basic: Whether you're a budding musician or have a passion to create and record for a living, this class provides you access to and understanding of the software and tools you'll need to arrange your own masterpiece. Students will learn how to obtain professional-sounding results from a simple studio setup. Basic computer knowledge and registration required. Ages 13 and up.

Digital Recording & Engineering – Advanced: This is the next-level session for those who have already taken the Basic class. We will use the acquired skills to produce an entire song, including an audio recording. Registration required. Ages 13 and up.

Family STEAM Night: Join us for Family STEAM Night! All ages are welcome as we explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math through hands-on activities led by STEAM professionals. We'll complete fun projects that will ignite your curiosity and spark your creativity. No experience required.

Financial Empowerment for Young Adults: Students will learn to explore personal financial choices, make informed financial decisions and consider what it means to be financially responsible. This month's theme is Bank On It!

Homebuyers Workshop: Join PNC Bank for an exciting discussion that will provide insight into the homebuying experience. Learn about financing, the pre-approval process, unique lending products and special programs to make homeownership more affordable. Registration required.

How to Develop Your Presentation: This workshop is designed for aspiring speakers. Learn to craft compelling content, design engaging visuals and create a narrative flow that captivates your audience from start to finish.

Kids in the Kitchen: In this program, kids will learn how to make great-tasting and nutritious recipes. Our aspiring young chefs will follow recipes with guidance from a culinary expert. Come ready to eat and learn new recipes to take home for the whole family to enjoy!

Making Yourself Smile: This uplifting session is designed to teach you the art of cultivating happiness and gratitude in your daily life. Learn practical techniques for positive thinking, creating moments of joy and developing a happiness mindset that can transform ordinary days into extraordinary ones.

The Piggy Bank Club: Calling all kids! Come learn about spending, sharing and saving money through fun activities and games. Ages 5–12.

Reach Success: Are you looking for individual support to increase your career and/or educational opportunities? The Reach Success team is resourceful and helpful in addressing barriers and allowing your personal goals to be reached. Specialties include tutoring, alternatives to GED, navigating college enrollments, employment opportunities, coaching and mentoring.

Robotics on the Go: Discover the fascinating world of science and technology! Youth will participate in activities that include building robots, designing structures, exploring STEM careers and more. Come have fun while engaging with project-based learning. For youth in grades 5–10.

Songwriting: Join us to learn the fundamentals of songwriting and song construction. This course is for both aspiring and experienced songwriters. Participants will learn to apply the principles of songwriting, structure, concepts, melody and metaphors, and then produce their own compositions. Participants should plan to attend all four consecutive sessions.

Speaker Series: Each month promises to bring new knowledge from the very best of today's thought leaders. The Speaker Series has been carefully crafted to deliver a range of captivating and inspiring speakers — renowned entrepreneurs, community leaders and award-winning journalists. You will come away from each event with greater awareness and a broader understanding of new ideas. This month's speaker is New York Times bestselling author and hip-hop historian Jonathan Abrams.

Sustainable Art Workshop: Join local multimedia artist Ron Shelton to discover how plastic bags can be transformed from litter into beautiful visual art! Participants will learn techniques for weaving these bags and creating sustainable art pieces. All ages welcome.

Tacos with Traci: Bring your ideas and hear about upcoming workshops and events during this time to chat with Traci Mitchell, executive director of the PNC Fairfax Connection.

Teen Tech Trailblazers: Discovering Design: Join us and our partner Jamal "JayWorking" Collins to discover graphic design using tools like Illustrator, Photoshop, and Canva. Our workshops go beyond graphic design, encompassing various skills like personal branding, fashion, video editing, and content creation, empowering students in a support and enjoyable learning environment. For youth in grades 5–12.

Teens in the Kitchen: Teens in the Kitchen is an extension of our Kids in the Kitchen program. Does your teenager like to cook? Are they interested in learning new skills? If so, this workshop is the perfect way to get them involved.

Writers Workshop: This workshop is a sanctuary for the written word, where budding and experienced writers alike can hone their craft. Join us for this series of ongoing workshops where you will dive into creative writing exercises, peer reviews, and discussions on character development, plot structuring, and the joy of storytelling.

Young Artists of Fairfax: Explore your creative side through the arts! In this workshop, youth will learn how to create a variety of art projects and develop their skills in drawing, painting, sculpture and more.

First steps start here.

Call **216-391-4677** or visit **pncfairfaxconnection.com/calendar** for additional information and to register early as slots fill up quickly!

