

# Connecting Diverse Populations for a Safer Community

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## OUR 2020 VISION



# PEOPLE

**We are actively engaged in strengthening the human capital of our community.**

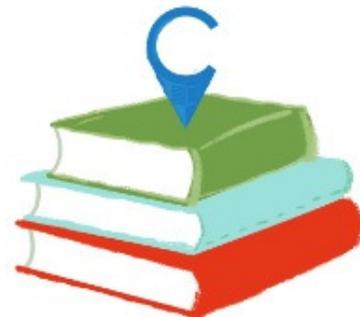
This means that we will help you develop skills, gain knowledge and make connections with others so you and our entire community grow stronger together.



# PLACE

**We are an extension of your world, physically and virtually.**

This means that we will provide services and resources whether you are in the building or accessing the library remotely from your phone, laptop or tablet. We will be with you, wherever you are.



# PLATFORM

**We are a recognized and valued transformative resource.**

We are community driven and will continue to develop and maintain engagement with our patrons and partners, transforming your dreams into reality.



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## INTERNAL

### INNOVATION

Design Thinking  
Focus on the User First  
Outcome-Driven

### COLLABORATION + COMMUNICATION

Community Engagement  
Mutually Beneficial  
Information Sharing

### BEST IN CLASS

Learn and Model  
Service Excellence  
Financial Stability

## EXTERNAL

### PERSONAL CONNECTION

Meets Me Where I Am  
Anticipates My Needs  
Seamlessly Integrates With My Life

### COMMUNITY WELLBEING

Trusted Expertise  
Belonging and Fellowship  
Engagement With Purpose  
Inclusive Safe Space

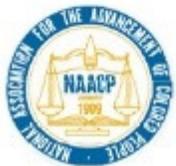
### MY BEST LIFE

Focused Youth/Teen Services  
Lifelong Learning  
Connect to Opportunities



# Canton Response to Hate Crime Coalition (CRHCC)

## The Partners:



PLYMOUTH-CANTON  
Community Schools





## INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION of CHIEFS OF POLICE

Serving the Leaders of Today,  
Developing the Leaders of Tomorrow

### IACP CIVIL RIGHTS AWARD

The IACP Civil Rights Award, sponsored jointly by Fechheimer Brothers Company and V. H. Blackinton and Company, recognizes outstanding law enforcement achievements in protecting civil and human rights. The Civil Rights Committee established this award to promote recognition of the many activities performed by the law enforcement profession across the United States and around the world that serve to promote and protect civil rights. The award provides an opportunity to recognize that law enforcement professionals are among the primary guarantors of civil, human, and constitutional rights in democratic societies.

#### **Single-Agency Program or Project Award:**

##### **Canton, Michigan, Police Department**

##### *Canton Response to Hate Crime Coalition*

Canton, Michigan, Police Department collaborated with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights, the Michigan Alliance against Hate Crimes, the Triangle Foundation, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Council on American- Islamic Relations, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, along with community leaders to form the Canton's Response to Hate Crimes Coalition (CRHCC), which was designed to partner with traditional and nontraditional stakeholders to find common ground to respond to and prevent hate crimes.



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STOP HATE. TOGETHER.

**Gold Star Cities**  
*Working together for  
safe, inclusive communities*



# Get to know your **Muslim Neighbor!**

**Learn about American Muslims &  
Enjoy Hands-On Activities for all ages!**

'A Forgotten History: Muslims & Early America' Poster Exhibit +  
Discussion + Calligraphy + Henna + International Delicacies & Coffee +  
Islamic Art + Women in Islam + Give-away Gifts



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Muslim American Society – Detroit, Know Your Muslim Neighbor

<http://masdetroit.org/KYMN/>

Muslim American Society – National  
<http://www.muslimamericansociety.org/>

Muslim American Society – Detroit,  
Get to Know Your Muslim Neighbor,  
<http://masdetroit.org/KYMN/index.html>



Values

Lifestyle

Journey

Community

# Meet Your Sikh Neighbors

From farmers to veterans, business leaders to little league players, Sikhs are a diverse mix of Americans united by common values and beliefs.



We Are Sikhs – Meet Your Sikh Neighbor

<http://www.wearesikhs.org/>

# Sikh Mystique

Opportunity to Meet Your Sikh Neighbors



Ever wondered why Sikhs wear a turban? What are the 5 K's? What are the beliefs and practices of the fifth largest religion in the world? Get answers to these and other questions. Also try ethnic foods, experience the culture at this free event for the whole family.

**Event:** Get To Know Your Sikh Neighbor  
**When:** Sunday, November 6th, 2016  
**Time:** From 1 to 3 PM  
**Where:** Canton Public Library



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This is a free family friendly event sponsored by Sikhs of Michigan, Friends of the Canton Public Library, Canton Response to Hate Crimes Coalition and Not In Our Town - Canton.

Everyone is welcome.

Contact: [ptalwar@hotmail.com](mailto:ptalwar@hotmail.com) for more information.

# Sikh Mystique

Get To Know Your Sikh Neighbors

Put your curiosity to rest. Get answers to these and other questions today.

- 1) What is the significance of selfless service in Sikhism? Table 3
- 2) What is langar and why do Sikhs feed people? Table 3
- 3) Who is a Guru? Table 4
- 4) Who is Guru Nanak? Table 4
- 5) Do Sikhs believe in heaven and hell? Table 5
- 6) Where do Sikhs worship? Table 2
- 7) What are the 5 K's? Table 5
- 8) Do colors of the turban matter? Table 5
- 9) Can women wear turbans? Table 1
- 10) Why do Sikhs wear turbans? Table 5
- 11) How are women treated in Sikh community? Table 1
- 12) Why do Sikhs keep unshorn hair? Table 5
- 13) How often do Sikhs pray? Table 2
- 14) Do Sikhs have a holy scripture? Table 4
- 15) Sikhs and hate crime. Is hate crime a concern for Sikhs? Table 1

We hope you were able to get answers to these and other questions. There is more that unites us than divides. Sikhs have been part of the American fabric for more than 125 years. We hope that by sharing cultures and values we can grow as a stronger community. For more information visit [wearesikhs.org](http://wearesikhs.org)



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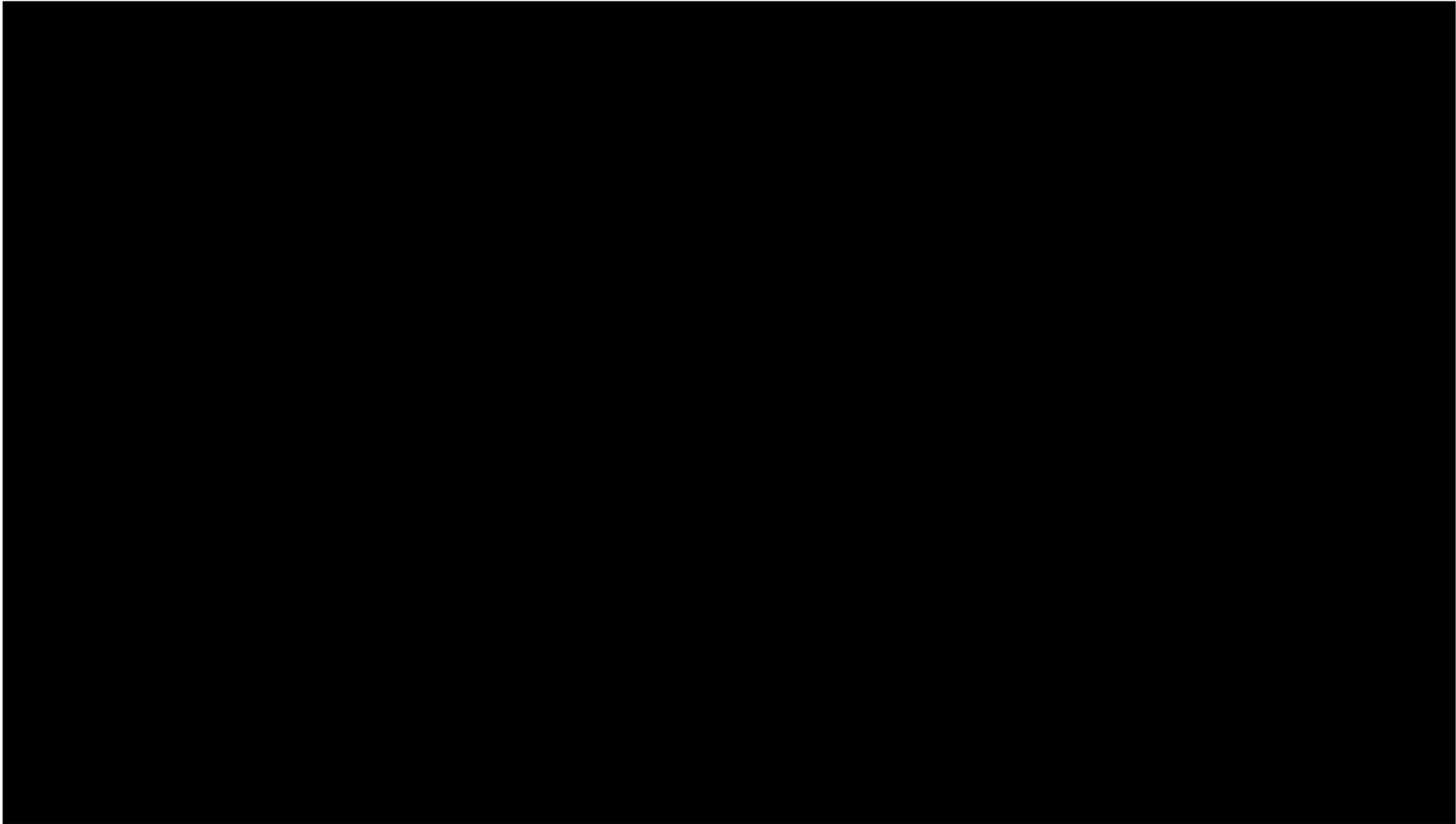


“I had a wonderful experience yesterday...

Someone told me that the rocking chairs at the Canton Library were a social experiment. How about we see what would happen if we visit our local library, sit on our porch, wave to our neighbors and watch over the children whether they are ours or not?

What do you think will happen?”





Canton Community Television on YouTube

<https://youtu.be/zgOXPylgDM>



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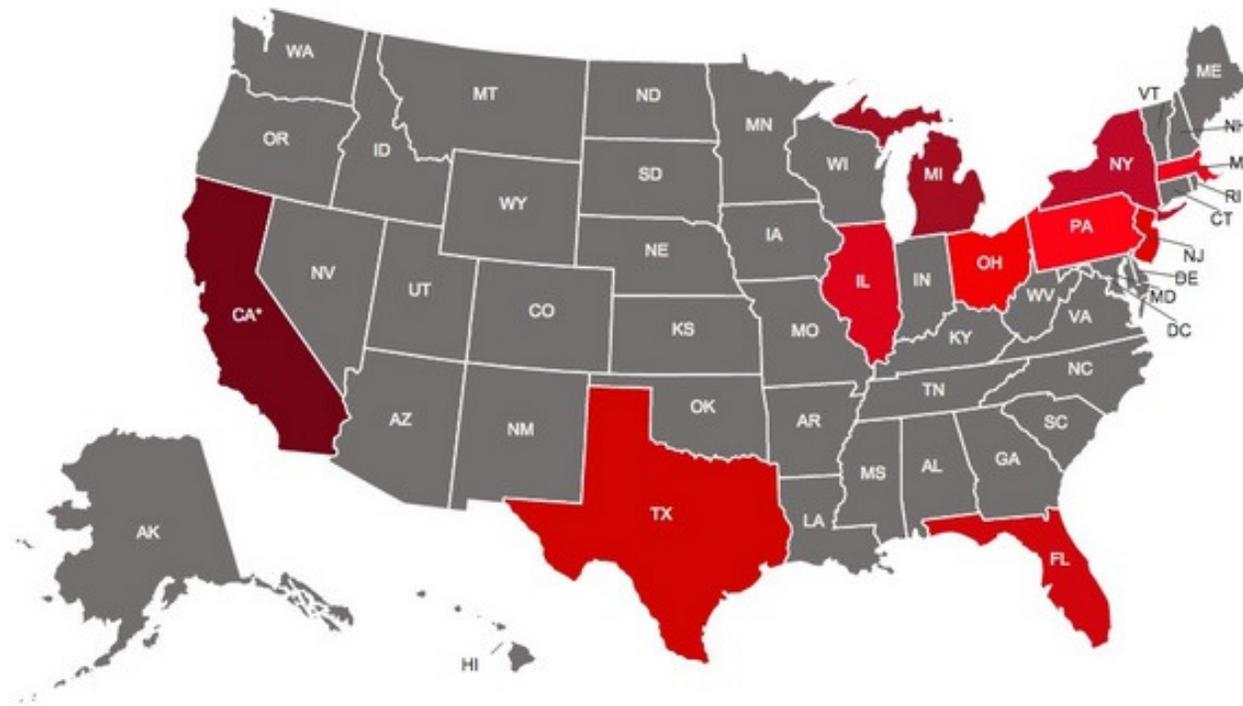




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# Where do Arab Americans Live?

Top 10 States by Arab American Population



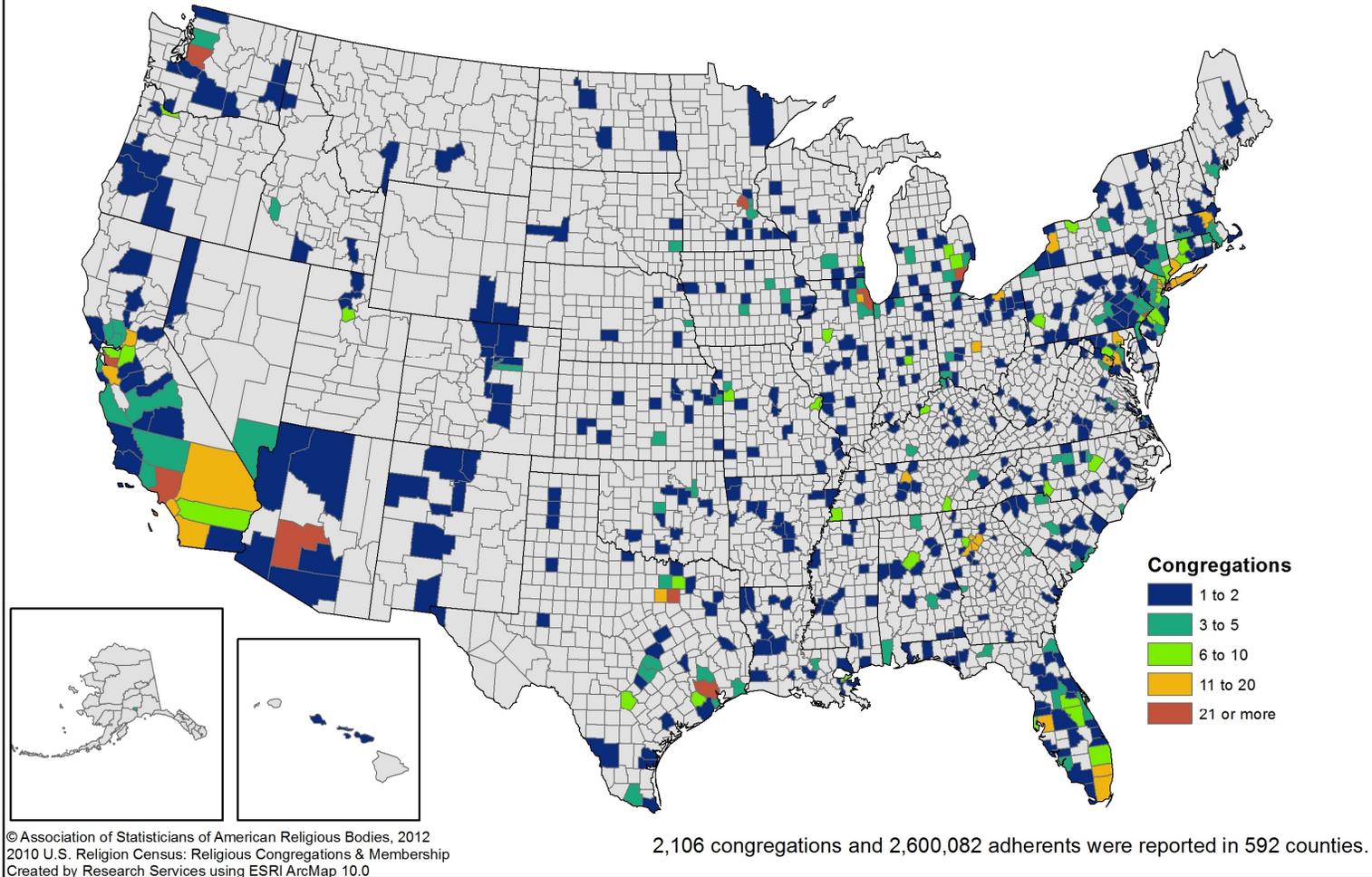
1. California - 324,609
2. Michigan - 223,075
3. New York - 152,675
4. Texas - 124,117
5. Florida - 112,300
6. Illinois - 111,484
7. New Jersey - 108,455
8. Ohio - 98,460
9. Massachusetts - 75,147
10. Pennsylvania - 69,422

Source: Arab American Institute, <http://www.aaiusa.org/demographics>



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# Location of Muslim Congregations in the United States, 2010





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Group Study Rooms provided by the  
generous donations of  
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and the  
Destination Imagination Team of  
Nithika Sivashankar, Abinand  
Thiruvekat, Rishi Mahesh,  
Sanjana Sathrasala,  
Pooja Bharadwaj,  
Ananya Yanamandra, Sruthi Sundar

## December Programs

- December 3** 2 p.m. **Twisted Bracelet:** Create a beautiful twisted beaded bracelet. Instruction for this program provided by staff from Michaels.
- December 6** 4 p.m. **Create Holiday Cards with Stamps:** Add a personal touch to your cards this year by making your own greeting cards.
- December 8** 7 p.m. **Teen Credit Seminar:** Having a good understanding about credit is essential to your financial future. This program, presented by Community Financial, will introduce you to the concept of credit.
- December 13** 4 p.m. **Create Your Own Holiday Ornament:** Get into the season by creating a holiday ornament for your tree.

### Create Holiday Cards with Stamps®

**December 7**, 5 p.m.

Add a personal touch to your cards this year by making your own greeting cards.

### Make Your Own Gingerbread House®

**December 16**, 1 p.m.

Decorate your house with a homemade gingerbread house.

### Make Your Own Holiday Cards®

**December 7**, 4 p.m.

Add a personal touch to your cards this year by making your own greeting cards.

### Make Your Own Holiday Ornament®

**December 12**, 4 p.m.

Get into the season by creating a holiday ornament for your tree.

### Make Your Own Gingerbread House®

**December 16**, 2 p.m.

A gingerbread house is a fun and tasty decoration.

### Create a Holiday Newsletter®

**November 12**, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

[Register online](#)

Want to send a smashing holiday newsletter to your family and friends? Learn to make use of MS Word graphics tools to jazz it up.

Prerequisite: Word for beginners or equivalent

### eBay Buying and Selling®

**November 3**, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

[Register online](#)

Looking to find that special gift for someone, or want to unload old treasures for extra holiday cash? Learn how to navigate on eBay and be a savvy online consumer this season.

Prerequisite: Mouse and keyboarding skills

### Email Holiday Greetings®

**November 15**, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

[Register online](#)

Open a free Yahoo! email account in class. Send and receive messages to your heart's content!

Prerequisite: Keyboarding and Web skills

### Graphics and Greeting Card Creation Using MS Word®

**November 26**, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

[Register online](#)

Learn to create text boxes, insert pictures and clip art, add borders, shading, column breaks and manipulate paragraphs to make a greeting card.

Prerequisite: Word for beginners or equivalent

### MS Word Mailing Tricks for the Holidays®

**November 29**, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

[Register online](#)

Discover how to mail merge a list of addresses for your holiday mailing needs. Also learn how to create envelopes and labels for all your other needs.

Prerequisites: Word for beginners or equivalent

### 'Tis the Season: Digital Camera for Beginners®

**November 17**, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

[Register online](#)

Plan ahead! Learn basic camera features and transfer your holiday photos onto a computer; crop, rotate, and change picture size or email them. Explore print processing websites too. Please leave your camera and photos at home.





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# Thank you!



*"We'd now like to open the floor to shorter speeches disguised as questions."*

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