



GLEN ECHO PARK

Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture

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GLEN ECHO PARK PARTNERSHIP FOR ARTS & CULTURE CELEBRATES 100 YEARS OF YOUNG CHILDREN'S MAGICAL MEMORIES WITH VIRTUAL "CAROUSEL STORY TIME" SERIES

IN CELEBRATION OF THE [100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DENTZEL CAROUSEL](#)

GLEN ECHO, MD – [Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture](#) (the Partnership) in collaboration with [The Puppet Co.](#) offers young children and families a delightful free fantasy ride on the Dentzel carousel each month from April through September. Through the power of storytelling, families will enjoy a different carousel-themed book brought to life on the screen by talented performers from the Puppet Co., an award-winning children's theater residency at Glen Echo Park.

"Glen Echo Park has always been a respite for busy family life in DC, and the carousel is a large part of that. We love to present family events and activities that bring people together. Because we cannot gather together for a large festival to celebrate this monumental anniversary of the Dentzel Carousel, we're bringing the joy of the park alive virtually," said Katey Boerner, Executive Director of the Partnership.

The full schedule of upcoming story times is available [here](#) and listed below.

Carousel Story Time kicks off this weekend, April 24, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. with [A Carousel Tale](#) by Elisa Kleven. Says Kleven, "I am honored and delighted to share my work in celebration of the 100th Anniversary celebration for the Dentzel Carousel."

SPRING 2021 CAROUSEL STORY TIME SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 24, 2021 | 9:30am - *A Carousel Tale* by Elisa Kleven

Saturday, May 15, 2021 | 9:30am- *A Ride to Remember* by Sharon Langley

Saturday, June 12, 2021 | 9:30am- *Carousel* by Donald Crews

Saturday, July 17, 2021 | 9:30am- *Harry the Carousel Horse* by Karin Tetlow and Tessa Guze

Saturday, July 17, 2021 | 9:30am- *Up and Down on the Merry-Go-Round* by Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault

Saturday, September 18, 2021 | 9:30am- *The Carousel* by Liz Rosenberg

Carousel Story Time is recommended for a variety of ages. All Carousel Story Times will be streamed on the Partnership's website at glenechopark.org/storytime and on YouTube.

In addition to virtual events, in-person Carousel Family Days will be held at the park each month throughout the summer with social distancing and other guidelines in place to prioritize the health and safety of visitors and staff. Also, on May 1 the carousel will open to the public for the first time since closing for repairs in July 2019. It will operate with limited capacity due to Covid-19 safety protocols. Tickets sales will be primarily online in advance. Find more information about ticket sales and all the Carousel 100th Anniversary activities and events at glenechopark.org/carousel100.

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ABOUT GLEN ECHO PARK PARTNERSHIP FOR ARTS AND CULTURE

Glen Echo Park is one of the finest cultural resources in the Washington, DC area.

The Park is home to 13 [resident artists & organizations](#), a nature & aquatic life program for kids, a thriving social dance program, a restored 1921 Dentzel Carousel, two award-winning children's theaters, a weekend drop-in art program for children, numerous art studios and galleries, and hundreds of classes in visual & performing arts, including ceramics, painting, photography, glass, music, dance, and more. These activities, as well as free summer concerts, festivals, and special events bring thousands of visitors to the Park each year.

ABOUT THE PUPPET CO.

The mission of the Puppet Co. is to present professionally produced puppet theater reflecting excellence in both performance and visual experience as a means to excite the public about the potential of puppetry. As a Center for Exploration of the Puppet Arts, the Puppet Co. brings professional puppetry performances to its audience along with supporting puppetry education through classes, workshops, demonstrations, publications, and exhibitions.