Tuesday, April 2, 2024

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Senior Storywriters

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 2 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

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Autism in Adults: Reading and Interview with Daniel Smeenk

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 2 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us in a reading by author Daniel Smeenk. Stay for an interview about his book, Autistic Adults: Exploring the Forgotten End of the Spectrum. Daniel gives us a comprehensive look at the many facets of autistic adults a nd provides neurotypicals with advice on how to develop more empathy and understanding. Registration opens March 5.

Homework Help (Grades 2 - 8)

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Reading Club (Grades 7 - 8)

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 3 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

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Older elementary school students, Grades 7 and 8, will meet once a week to read a novel and participate in com prehension activities. Students will be matched into a small group based on reading level. The program will run online via Zoom on Mondays and in person at the Main Branch on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Winter term runs fr om January 22nd to April 5th, except when closed from February 19th-23rd for the University Reading Week. Registration opens January 1, 2024. Email lsflclub@gmail.com or visit https://linktr.ee/lsflbrantford for registr ation information.

Thursday, April 4, 2024

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

Date and Time: Thursday, April 4 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

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A Service Canada Outreach Specialist can answer questions, help you understand and access Government of Ca nada programs and benefits available to you. Get one-on-one access to information about Social Insurance Nu mbers (SIN), Employment Insurance (EI), Canada Pension Plan (CPP), Canada Pension Disability Plan (CPP-D), Old Age Security (OAS) and Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) and Passport Canada programs.

Crafty Kids Storytime (Ages 2-5)

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Come Play! - EarlyON

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St. Paul Crafters Circle

Date and Time: Thursday, April 4 6:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Calling all crafters! We meet on the first and third Thursdays of the month. Drop-in and chat with other crafting enthusiasts while working on your own knitting, crocheting, or other portable projects. No registration required

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Yoga in the Library

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Wind down the week with a session of yoga at the Main Library!Drop in to join Catherine Labrecque-Rowntree in exploring gentle yoga. Bring a mat, water and comfortable clothing. Chair yoga option available.

Community Connections

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D & D Campaign

Date and Time: Saturday, April 6 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

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Dungeons & Dragons is back at Brantford Public Library! Registration is required. This group is for ages 10-1 6. No experience required. D&D is a fantasy tabletop role-playing game which lets players create their own char acter, use their imagination, interact with other characters, and make decisions to overcome challenges. An experienced Dungeon Master (DM) will guide you through the game, serve as referee and storyteller, and keep you engaged in a linked series of adventures (commonly referred to as a "campaign"). This program is currently full. Please email pdoliska@brantfordlibrary.ca to be added to the waiting list.

Monday, April 8, 2024

PA Day Crafts & Activities

Date and Time: Monday, April 8 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

Drop by the children's area of the Main Branch any time between 9:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for crafts and activiti es that will encourage you to learn, play and explore!

Tech Time

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Grand River Book Club

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Author Event with Denise Davy

Date and Time: Thursday, April 11 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Enjoy wine, cheese and discussion with author and journalist Denise Davy. Denise is the author of the book He r Name Was Margaret: Life and Death on the Streets, which was included in the Toronto Star's list of 2021 Mus t Read Books. A nationally recognized award-winning journalist who specializes in writing about mental health , homelessness and gender issues, Davy worked at the Hamilton Spectator for 26 years. Davy was twice honour ed with the Journalist of the Year award by the Ontario Newspaper Association, and is the recipient of a Nation al Newspaper Award and four national journalism fellowships. She is founder of Purses for Margaret, which provides toiletries to homeless women and lives in Burlington, Ontario. Registration opens December 27.

Friday, April 12, 2024

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Saturday, April 13, 2024

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Chess Club

Date and Time: Saturday, April 13 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Members of the Brantford Chess Club offer basic instruction and tips on how to improve your game during this drop-in event. Held on the following Saturdays: January 20, February 3, February 17, March 2, March 16, March 30, April 13, April 27.

Stay and Make Club

Date and Time: Saturday, April 13 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

On the second Saturday of each month, come in for the Stay and Make Club at the Main Branch! Supplies will be available to complete a unique hands-on activity. Disclaimer: Activities are appropriate for ages 6 and up. Ad ult supervision recommended.

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Bell City Strummers: A Community Ukulele Group

Date and Time: Sunday, April 14 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: Glenhyrst Gardens (20 Ava Road)

Everyone is welcome to join in as Catherine Gorecki and Genevieve Rochette lead this bi-weekly ukulele dropin. Attendees can play beginner or more advanced material, depending on skill level. A limited number of ukulel es and music stands will be available to borrow. Email Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca for more info an d an orientation.

Monday, April 15, 2024

Tech Time

Date and Time: Monday, April 15 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

Date and Time: Monday, April 15 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Join us every Monday for in-person rhymes, sensory development activities, motor skill methods, stories, and s ocializing among babies and caregivers. Books from our collection will be carefully selected with a particular t heme in mind and available for borrowing. This is a drop-in program. No registration is required.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Monday, April 15 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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Tuesday, April 16, 2024

Baby & Me Storytime (St. Paul Branch)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 16 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us every Tuesday for in-person rhymes, sensory development activities, motor skill methods, stories, and s ocializing among babies and caregivers. Books from our collection will be carefully selected with a particular t heme in mind and available for borrowing. This is a drop-in program. No registration is required.

Brantford Native Housing

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 16 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Brantford Native Housing offers a housing search support for Indigenous populations every Tuesday from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. in the 3rd floor computer lab.

Getting Ready for Kindergarten: Session 2 (March - May)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 16 1:30 pm - 2:15 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Preschoolers ages 3+ will enjoy this eight-week-long, kindergarten readiness program focusing on curriculum milestones and social skills. Parents & caregivers must remain in the Library while children participate independently in the program. Register once for this session. Registration opens February 19.

Senior Storywriters

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 16 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Senior Storywriters is a creative writing group for seniors (55+). Through group discussion and peer support, p articipants will learn about the craft of writing, and practice turning story ideas into engaging narrative tales. To pies are decided upon by the group and led by a designated facilitator. Contact Heather at hbrown@brantfordlib rary.ca to find out more or register.

Introduction to 3D Design and Printing

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 16 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Learn the basics of 3D design while creating your own simple 3D object. We'll show you how using free onlin e software as well as how to prepare and submit your design to be printed at the Library. Basic computer skills required. Registration opens March 18.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

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Kids Night Out

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 16 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 17 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

In this weekly storytime hosted every Wednesday, preschoolers will develop a love for reading by learning easy r hymes, repeating phrases, exploring story props, and strengthening comprehension, together! Books from our c ollection will be carefully selected to help bring the learning home. This is a drop-in program. No registration i s required.

National Canadian Film Day

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 17 1:00 pm - 2:45 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join the party! It is National Canadian Film Day on April 17th. Come see a Canadian film based on Canadian a uthor Miriam Toews' novel, All My Puny Sorrows. Come sit with us and share a Canadian story. Starts at 1 p.m. in the Maker Space.

Alzheimer Society Social Café

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 17 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 17 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space is for youth aged 13-19, held at the Library's Main Branch. The program will offer a range of activities, including art therapy, movie nights, and workshops on various topics. 1:1 support wi th a youth outreach worker is also available. For more information, contact Megan (Youth in Transition Work er – megan.potvin@ymcahbb.ca), or Jess (Youth Outreach Worker - yow.jess@wesley.ca)

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 17 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

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How to Tell Stories: Tips, Techniques & Telling Tales

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 17 6:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Whether coaxing your kids to sleep at night or pitching an idea at work, it pays to be a persuasive and engaging storyteller. Come join a supportive and interactive workshop with the Brant Story Time Entertainers!

Earth Day with Mrs. A: An art and Earth Event

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 17 6:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Celebrate Earth Day with art lessons from Nicole Alexander. Nicole is a self-taught visual artist whose works in the mediums of oil, acrylic, and watercolour reflect a unique Afro-Caribbean vibe. Join Nicole for an art less on. Supplies and light refreshments provided. Wine can be purchased. Registration opens March 18.

Discovery Table at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 17 6:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Drop in to the St. Paul branch on Wednesday nights for a new STEAM activity each week. We'll meet at the table in the kids' area for some hands-on fun and exploration!

Thursday, April 18, 2024

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

Date and Time: Thursday, April 18 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

A Service Canada Outreach Specialist can answer questions, help you understand and access Government of Ca nada programs and benefits available to you. Get one-on-one access to information about Social Insurance Nu mbers (SIN), Employment Insurance (EI), Canada Pension Plan (CPP), Canada Pension Disability Plan (CPP-D), Old Age Security (OAS) and Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) and Passport Canada programs.

Crafty Kids Storytime (Ages 2-5)

Date and Time: Thursday, April 18 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Preschoolers can get creative with stories, songs and a craft!

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, April 18 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Come join EarlyON facilitators for a free play and inquiry-based drop-in program. Open to children up to age si x, with their caregivers.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Thursday, April 18 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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A Place to Be

Date and Time: Thursday, April 18 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop in for snacks and DIY activities of your choice.

St. Paul Crafters Circle

Date and Time: Thursday, April 18 6:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Calling all crafters! We meet on the first and third Thursdays of the month. Drop-in and chat with other crafting enthusiasts while working on your own knitting, crocheting, or other portable projects. No registration required

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Friday, April 19, 2024

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Friday, April 19 10:00 am - 11:00 am

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Yoga in the Library

Date and Time: Friday, April 19 11:00 am - 11:45 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Wind down the week with a session of yoga at the Main Library!Drop in to join Catherine Labrecque-Rowntree in exploring gentle yoga. Bring a mat, water and comfortable clothing. Chair yoga option available.

St. Paul Readers Circle

Date and Time: Friday, April 19 2:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

The St. Paul Readers Circle meets once a month at the St. Paul branch. Space is limited and registration is required. If you are interested in joining this book club, please contact Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca for more information. Upcoming titles: January - The Measure of a Man by Sidney Poitier February - A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman March - Behold the Dreamers by Imbolo Mbue April - Greenwood by Michael Christie May - A Good Girl's Guide to Murder by Holly Jackson June - The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman

Community Connections

Date and Time: Friday, April 19 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us for a weekly adult drop-in program every Friday afternoon at the Main branch from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. de signed to link people to community resources and provide a helping hand. Community organizations will atten d when available. There will be coffee, snacks, and conversation.

Queer Youth Lounge

Date and Time: Friday, April 19 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Come join us for the Queer Youth Lounge for youth ages 12-18. A fun and engaging drop-in for identifying 2S LGBTQIA+ youth. The program will be held at Brantford Public Library Main Branch in the Program Room on the main floor. There will be snacks provided and lots of fun activities for youth. This drop-in is designed to provide a safe environment for identifying youth to meet other youth that identify, to help provide an understanding and to show connection. The attending youth will lead the program providing them all with the ability to share and voice their opinions to what they want to see happen at the drop-in. All youth deserve to be heard and this can be a place for that to happen. For more information please contact Nick - Youth Outreach Worker yow.nick@wesley.ca, Youth Mentorship Program Facilitator Julie bgcmentorman@bgcbrant.ca or Youth Mentorship Program Facilitator Ashley bgcmentorprog@bgcbrant.ca

Saturday, April 20, 2024

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Saturday, April 20 10:00 am - 11:00 am

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D & D Campaign

Date and Time: Saturday, April 20 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Dungeons & Dragons is back at Brantford Public Library! Registration is required. This group is for ages 10-1 6. No experience required. D&D is a fantasy tabletop role-playing game which lets players create their own char acter, use their imagination, interact with other characters, and make decisions to overcome challenges. An experienced Dungeon Master (DM) will guide you through the game, serve as referee and storyteller, and keep you engaged in a linked series of adventures (commonly referred to as a "campaign"). This program is currently full. Please email pdoliska@brantfordlibrary.ca to be added to the waiting list.

Monday, April 22, 2024

Tech Time

Date and Time: Monday, April 22 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

Date and Time: Monday, April 22 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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Writers Support Circle

Date and Time: Monday, April 22 5:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Sit down with members of the Brantford Writer's Circle, a group of writers who meet as equals in a friendly ex change of ideas about each other's work. Contact Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca before your first visit f or more information on participating. Click Register Online to register at any time. After registering, you will r eceive updates and information on how to attend closer to the date of the event. Registration opens December 2 2.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Monday, April 22 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

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Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Baby & Me Storytime (St. Paul Branch)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 23 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

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Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Storytime at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 24 10:30 am - 11:00 am

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Alzheimer Society Social Café

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 24 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

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Seniors @BPL: Caribbean Leaf Teas With Alana

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 24 2:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Upset stomach? Sore muscles? Fever? Cold? Alana's mother and grandmother had a bush tea for it. Many peop le who grew up in the Caribbean or have Caribbean parents can relate to this. From soursop and sorrel, to ginge r and guava, come learn how these leaves can be beneficial for mind and body. Samples and goodie bags availab le. Note - Info provided in this program is for general informational purposes only and is not intended to be me dical advice. Registration opens March 24.

Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 24 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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Book a Librarian

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Beginner Macramé (Main Branch)

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 24 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Learn basic macramé as you create your own macramé lantern. Supplies provided. Registration opens March 1

Discovery Table at St. Paul

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Thursday, April 25, 2024

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

Date and Time: Thursday, April 25 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

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Crafty Kids Storytime (Ages 2-5)

Date and Time: Thursday, April 25 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Preschoolers can get creative with stories, songs and a craft!

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, April 25 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

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Come join EarlyON facilitators for a free play and inquiry-based drop-in program. Open to children up to age si x, with their caregivers.

Book a Librarian

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Learn basic macramé as you create your own macramé lantern. Supplies provided. Registration opens March 1 8

Friday, April 26, 2024

Book a Librarian

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Yoga in the Library

Date and Time: Friday, April 26 11:00 am - 11:45 am

Wind down the week with a session of yoga at the Main Library!Drop in to join Catherine Labrecque-Rowntree in exploring gentle yoga. Bring a mat, water and comfortable clothing. Chair yoga option available.

Community Connections

Date and Time: Friday, April 26 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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Queer Youth Lounge

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Saturday, April 27, 2024

Book a Librarian

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Chess Club

Date and Time: Saturday, April 27 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Members of the Brantford Chess Club offer basic instruction and tips on how to improve your game during this drop-in event. Held on the following Saturdays: January 20, February 3, February 17, March 2, March 16, March 30, April 13, April 27.

Sunday, April 28, 2024

Bell City Strummers: A Community Ukulele Group

Date and Time: Sunday, April 28 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: Glenhyrst Gardens (20 Ava Road)

Everyone is welcome to join in as Catherine Gorecki and Genevieve Rochette lead this bi-weekly ukulele drop-in. Attendees can play beginner or more advanced material, depending on skill level. A limited number of ukulel es and music stands will be available to borrow. Email Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca for more info an d an orientation.

Monday, April 29, 2024

Tech Time

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Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

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Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

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Tuesday, April 30, 2024

Baby & Me Storytime (St. Paul Branch)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 30 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

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Brantford Native Housing

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 30 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Brantford Native Housing offers a housing search support for Indigenous populations every Tuesday from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. in the 3rd floor computer lab.

Getting Ready for Kindergarten: Session 2 (March - May)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 30 1:30 pm - 2:15 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Preschoolers ages 3+ will enjoy this eight-week-long, kindergarten readiness program focusing on curriculum milestones and social skills. Parents & caregivers must remain in the Library while children participate independently in the program. Register once for this session. Registration opens February 19.

Senior Storywriters

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 30 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Senior Storywriters is a creative writing group for seniors (55+). Through group discussion and peer support, p articipants will learn about the craft of writing, and practice turning story ideas into engaging narrative tales. To pics are decided upon by the group and led by a designated facilitator. Contact Heather at hbrown@brantfordlib rary.ca to find out more or register.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 30 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Our Book a Librarian program provides you with one-hour of one-on-one help from Library staff. During this s ession, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection a nd online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family hi story resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist w ith troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online pu rchases. The Library's LinkedIn Learning service offers free online courses on a variety of tech topics, including iPhones and iPads and Android phones and tablets. Sign in for free with your library card and PIN on our Resea rch and Learning page.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 30 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Canada Connects helps newcomers ages 18+ receive informal support enhancing their spoken language skills. Volunteer facilitators organize conversation circles along certain social themes that are discussed each session. These conversation groups provide newcomers and volunteers the opportunity to meet other newcomers, share experiences, socialize and make new friends. A partnership of YMCA Immigrant Services – YMCA of Hamilto n/ Burlington/Brantford and Brantford Public Library, supported by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

Kids Night Out

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 30 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Kids ages 6 - 12 can drop-in at Main on Tuesday nights for hands-on activities and explore challenges with scie nce, technology, engineering, art and math. We invite you to challenge your brain critically and creatively!

Brantford Bookworms

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 30 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

The Brantford Bookworms meet one evening a month at the St. Paul branch. Space is limited and registration is required. If you are interested in joining this book club, please contact Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca fo r more information.

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