

Tuesday, July 2, 2024

The Story Garden at St. Paul

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 2 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us in the St. Paul backyard for a storytime filled with garden-inspired stories, songs and activities for the whole family. (In the event of rain, storytime will take place indoors.)

Brantford Native Housing

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 2 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.

Tween STEAM

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 2 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Bucket Tower Challenge & Summer Bucket Lists Ready to test your creativity and engineering prowess? Today we will be building sturdy structures with just tape and straws! We will also create Summer Bucket Lists to inspire adventure and fun for the season ahead.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 2 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 2 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 Hamilton/ Burlington/Brantford and Brantford Public Library, supported by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

Wednesday, July 3, 2024

Alzheimer Society Social Café

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Alzheimer Society's Social Café is a welcoming space offered weekly where persons living with dementia and their care partner can socialize, build support networks and enjoy dementia friendly activities together. Please call 1-800-565-4614 ext. 421 to register. Once registered you can drop in as many times as you like.

Season of Kindness - Autism Dog Services

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 3 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Each week, kids and families can create something special for a community partner in need. Then share the experience of donating and making a positive change in our community! July 3 - Autism Dog Services Making dog toys July 10 - Equal Ground Community Gardens Painting rocks for community gardens July 17 - Brantford Public Library Home Delivery Service Making bookmarks for Home Delivery Service customers July 24 - Brantford Random Acts of Kindness Group Making flowers with inspirations sayings July 31 - Brantford Community Connections Decorating cookies and cupcakes for customers August 7 - Brantford Public Library Baby & Me Storytime Making Texture Boards for babies August 14 - William Hans Schmidt, Veteran Making cards to thank Veterans and Canadian Forces members August 21 - Community Helpers Making yard signs to thank City of Brantford workers

Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 3 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 with a youth outreach worker is also available. For more information, contact Megan (Youth in Transition Worker – megan.potvin@ymcahbb.ca), or Jess (Youth Outreach Worker - yow.jess@wesley.ca)

Thursday, July 4, 2024

Backyard STEAM

Date and Time: Thursday, July 4 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us in the St. Paul backyard to create and experiment with hands-on activities and maybe even some robots.

Canoe Storytime

Date and Time: Thursday, July 4 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Meet us at the canoe in the Children's Department for stories, songs, and activities.

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, July 4 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 six, with their caregivers.

CPP Revealed: Essential Insights for Your Retirement

Date and Time: Thursday, July 4 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Attend our informative session on the CPP retirement pension to uncover eligibility requirements, pension start date advantages, and how your CPP amount is determined. Learn about the application process, payment specifics, and other potential CPP benefits, equipping you to make informed financial decisions regarding retirement. These sessions are part of the Healthy Aging Passport Program with the City of Brantford and are offered in collaboration with Service Canada and the Canada Revenue Agency at the Brantford Public Library.

A Place to Be

Date and Time: Thursday, July 4 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop in for snacks and DIY activities of your choice.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Thursday, July 4 2:00 pm - 3:00 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

St. Paul Crafters Circle

Date and Time: Thursday, July 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.

Friday, July 5, 2024

Summer Crafts and Activities (St. Paul Branch)

Date and Time: Friday, July 5 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Drop by the St. Paul Branch for some crafts and activities. While supplies last.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Friday, July 5 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Our Book a Librarian program provides you with one-hour of one-on-one help from Library staff. During this session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Yoga in the Library

Date and Time: Friday, July 5 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.

Housing Computer Lab

Date and Time: Friday, July 5 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

A weekly drop-in program open to all ages for housing search computer support and rental system navigation. Limited to nine spaces. In partnership with SOAR Community Services.

Community Connections

Date and Time: Friday, July 5 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. designed to link people to community resources and provide a helping hand. Community organizations will attend when available. There will be coffee, snacks, and conversation.

Saturday, July 6, 2024

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Saturday, July 6 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Our Book a Librarian program provides you with one-hour of one-on-one help from Library staff. During this session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Monday, July 8, 2024

Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

Date and Time: Monday, July 8 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

Marvelous Mondays - Live Canadian Raptor Conservancy's Birds of Prey show

Date and Time: Monday, July 8 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

On Mondays in July and August, we'll host an exciting event for the whole family! Get up close with the Canadian Raptor Conservancy's spectacular birds of prey. An exciting experience for the whole family! See the lineup of activities below. Date Event July 8 Live Canadian Raptor Conservancy's Birds of Prey show July 15 Magic show with Scott Dietrich - voted "Best Children's Entertainer" for eight straight years July 22 Club Rex - an interactive show with dinosaur skulls from collections around the world July 29 Little Ray's Nature's Ninjas - featuring live animals! August 12 Miss T the Bubble Queen's Bubbleology Show August 19 Trolls Party with bubbles, music, face painting and a visit with Poppy!

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Monday, July 8 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 Hamilton/Burlington/Brantford and Brantford Public Library, supported by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

The Story Garden at St. Paul

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 9 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us in the St. Paul backyard for a storytime filled with garden-inspired stories, songs and activities for the whole family. (In the event of rain, storytime will take place indoors.)

Brantford Native Housing

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 9 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.

Senior Storywriters

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 9 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, participants will learn about the craft of writing, and practice turning story ideas into engaging narrative tales. Topics are decided upon by the group and led by a designated facilitator. Contact Heather at hbrown@brantfordlibrary.ca to find out more or register.

Tween STEAM

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 9 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Bead Buddies Bored buddies? No, Bead Buddies! Use your creativity to make your own friendship keychain, beaded constellations, and coding bracelets using colourful beads.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 9 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 9 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 Hamilton/Burlington/Brantford and Brantford Public Library, supported by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

Wednesday, July 10, 2024

Play Date in the Square

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 10 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Address: Harmony Square, 89 Dalhousie Street

Join us for an outdoor play date in Harmony Square! Every week we'll be bringing giant games, bubbles, and more. Weather permitting.

Alzheimer Society Social Café

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 10 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Alzheimer Society's Social Café is a welcoming space offered weekly where persons living with dementia and their care partner can socialize, build support networks and enjoy dementia friendly activities together. Please call 1-800-565-4614 ext. 421 to register. Once registered you can drop in as many times as you like.

Main Book Club

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 10 2:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Main Book Club meets once a month at the Main Branch. Space is extremely 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: April – Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt May – Shuggie Bain by Douglas Stuart June – A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman July – Indian Horse by Richard Wagamese August – We Spread by Iain Reid September – The Midnight Library by Matt Haig October – A Good Girl's Guide to Murder by Holly Jackson

Season of Kindness - Equal Ground Community Gardens

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 10 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Each week, kids and families can create something special for a community partner in need. Then share the experience of donating and making a positive change in our community! July 3 - Autism Dog Services Making dog toys July 10 - Equal Ground Community Gardens Painting rocks for community gardens July 17 - Brantford Public Library Home Delivery Service Making bookmarks for Home Delivery Service customers July 24 - Brantford Random Acts of Kindness Group Making flowers with inspirations sayings July 31 - Brantford Community Connections Decorating cookies and cupcakes for customers August 7 - Brantford Public Library Baby & Me Storytime Making Texture Boards for babies August 14 - William Hans Schmidt, Veteran Making cards to thank Veterans and Canadian Forces members August 21 - Community Helpers Making yard signs to thank City of Brantford workers

Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 10 4:30 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 with a youth outreach worker is also available. For more information, contact Megan (Youth in Transition Worker – megan.potvin@ymcahbb.ca), or Jess (Youth Outreach Worker - yow.jess@wesley.ca)

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 10 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

Date and Time: Thursday, July 11 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

A Service Canada Outreach Specialist can answer questions, help you understand and access Government of Canada programs and benefits available to you. Get one-on-one access to information about Social Insurance Numbers (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.

Backyard STEAM

Date and Time: Thursday, July 11 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us in the St. Paul backyard to create and experiment with hands-on activities and maybe even some robots.

Canoe Storytime

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Meet us at the canoe in the Children's Department for stories, songs, and activities.

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, July 11 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 six, with their caregivers.

Be Scam Smart

Date and Time: Thursday, July 11 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Protect yourself from scams, especially those impersonating the CRA. Learn common fraud tactics, red flags in communication, and steps to verify legitimacy. Understand current CRA scams and prevention strategies. Stay vigilant and informed to avoid falling victim to fraudulent schemes. These sessions are part of the Healthy Aging Passport Program with the City of Brantford and are offered in collaboration with Service Canada and the Canada Revenue Agency at the Brantford Public Library.

A Place to Be

Date and Time: Thursday, July 11 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop in for snacks and DIY activities of your choice.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Thursday, July 11 2:00 pm - 3:00 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Tech Time @ St. Paul

Date and Time: Thursday, July 11 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Need help getting started with the Library's digital services or with your device in general? Bring your gadget - tablet, e-reader, cell phone, laptop -- for help! This program is a live, in-person event to be held at the St. Paul Library.

Friday, July 12, 2024

Summer Crafts and Activities (St. Paul Branch)

Date and Time: Friday, July 12 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Drop by the St. Paul Branch for some crafts and activities. While supplies last.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Friday, July 12 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Our Book a Librarian program provides you with one-hour of one-on-one help from Library staff. During this session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Yoga in the Library

Date and Time: Friday, July 12 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.

Housing Computer Lab

Date and Time: Friday, July 12 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

A weekly drop-in program open to all ages for housing search computer support and rental system navigation. Limited to nine spaces. In partnership with SOAR Community Services.

Community Connections

Date and Time: Friday, July 12 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. designed to link people to community resources and provide a helping hand. Community organizations will attend when available. There will be coffee, snacks, and conversation.

Saturday, July 13, 2024

Book a Librarian

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Our Book a Librarian program provides you with one-hour of one-on-one help from Library staff. During this session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

D & D Campaign

Date and Time: Saturday, July 13 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Dungeons & Dragons is back at Brantford Public Library! Registration is required. This group is for ages 10-16. No experience required. D&D is a fantasy tabletop role-playing game which lets players create their own character, 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, July 15, 2024

Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

Marvelous Mondays - Magic Show with Scott Dietrich

Date and Time: Monday, July 15 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

On Mondays in July and August, we'll host an exciting event for the whole family! Enjoy an afternoon of laughter and wonder with The Magic of Scott Dietrich. Voted Toronto's "Best Children's Entertainer" for eight consecutive years, your little ones will surely be in for a treat. Scott will even teach guests how to perform several mind bending illusions. Date Event July 8 Live Canadian Raptor Conservancy's Birds of Prey show July 15 Magic show with Scott Dietrich - voted "Best Children's Entertainer" for eight straight years July 22 Club Rex - an interactive show with dinosaur skulls from collections around the world July 29 Little Ray's Nature's Ninjas - featuring live animals! August 12 Miss T the Bubble Queen's Bubbleology Show August 19 Trolls Party with bubbles, music, face painting and a visit with Poppy!

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Monday, July 15 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 Hamilton/Burlington/Brantford and Brantford Public Library, supported by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

Tuesday, July 16, 2024

The Story Garden at St. Paul

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 16 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us in the St. Paul backyard for a storytime filled with garden-inspired stories, songs and activities for the whole family. (In the event of rain, storytime will take place indoors.)

Brantford Native Housing

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 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.

Tween STEAM

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Henna Sadaf Ambreen from Creative Henna will be at the Library creating beautiful Henna designs for kids ages 8-12. Design unique artwork with our Sphero robot as you wait.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 16 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 16 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 Hamilton/Burlington/Brantford and Brantford Public Library, supported by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

Wednesday, July 17, 2024

Play Date in the Square

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

Address: Harmony Square, 89 Dalhousie Street

Join us for an outdoor play date in Harmony Square! Every week we'll be bringing giant games, bubbles, and more. Weather permitting.

Alzheimer Society Social Café

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Alzheimer Society's Social Café is a welcoming space offered weekly where persons living with dementia and their care partner can socialize, build support networks and enjoy dementia friendly activities together. Please call 1-800-565-4614 ext. 421 to register. Once registered you can drop in as many times as you like.

Season of Kindness - Brantford Public Library Home Delivery Service

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Each week, kids and families can create something special for a community partner in need. Then share the experience of donating and making a positive change in our community! July 3 - Autism Dog Services Making dog toys July 10 - Equal Ground Community Gardens Painting rocks for community gardens July 17 - Brantford Public Library Home Delivery Service Making bookmarks for Home Delivery Service customers July 24 - Brantford Random Acts of Kindness Group Making flowers with inspirations sayings July 31 - Brantford Community Connections Decorating cookies and cupcakes for customers August 7 - Brantford Public Library Baby & Me Storytime Making Texture Boards for babies August 14 - William Hans Schmidt, Veteran Making cards to thank Veterans and Canadian Forces members August 21 - Community Helpers Making yard signs to thank City of Brantford workers

Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 17 4:30 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 with a youth outreach worker is also available. For more information, contact Megan (Youth in Transition Worker – megan.potvin@ymcahbb.ca), or Jess (Youth Outreach Worker - yow.jess@wesley.ca)

Thursday, July 18, 2024

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

A Service Canada Outreach Specialist can answer questions, help you understand and access Government of Canada programs and benefits available to you. Get one-on-one access to information about Social Insurance Numbers (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.

Backyard STEAM

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

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us in the St. Paul backyard to create and experiment with hands-on activities and maybe even some robots.

Canoe Storytime

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Meet us at the canoe in the Children's Department for stories, songs, and activities.

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, July 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 six, with their caregivers.

The Road to Dental Wellness: Exploring the Canadian Dental Care Plan

Date and Time: Thursday, July 18 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Discover how the Canadian Dental Care Plan (CDCP) can assist seniors in overcoming financial obstacles to oral health care. Attend a 45-minute information session to understand eligibility, application process, and the various covered services offered by CDCP, empowering you to enhance your oral health and overall well-being. These sessions are part of the Healthy Aging Passport Program with the City of Brantford and are offered in collaboration with Service Canada and the Canada Revenue Agency at the Brantford Public Library.

A Place to Be

Date and Time: Thursday, July 18 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop in for snacks and DIY activities of your choice.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Thursday, July 18 2:00 pm - 3:00 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

St. Paul Crafters Circle

Date and Time: Thursday, July 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.

Friday, July 19, 2024

Summer Crafts and Activities (St. Paul Branch)

Date and Time: Friday, July 19 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Drop by the St. Paul Branch for some crafts and activities. While supplies last.

Book a Librarian

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Our Book a Librarian program provides you with one-hour of one-on-one help from Library staff. During this session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Yoga in the Library

Date and Time: Friday, July 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.

Housing Computer Lab

Date and Time: Friday, July 19 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

A weekly drop-in program open to all ages for housing search computer support and rental system navigation. Limited to nine spaces. In partnership with SOAR Community Services.

Community Connections

Date and Time: Friday, July 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. designed to link people to community resources and provide a helping hand. Community organizations will attend when available. There will be coffee, snacks, and conversation.

Saturday, July 20, 2024

Book a Librarian

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Our Book a Librarian program provides you with one-hour of one-on-one help from Library staff. During this session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Summer Reading Club Movie Party

Date and Time: Saturday, July 20 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Beat the heat with a screening of Lightyear at our Summer Reading Movie Party. Come and enjoy the movie with your family, have snacks, and check out some crafty offerings. You can also pick up your weekly giveaway! Haven't joined the Summer Reading Club yet? It's not too late! Visit either of our branches and pick up your reading journal, or start submitting your summer reading right away.

Monday, July 22, 2024

Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

Marvelous Mondays - Club Rex - an interactive show with dinosaur skulls from collections around the world

Date and Time: Monday, July 22 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

On Mondays in July and August, we'll host an exciting event for the whole family! Join Club Rex as we learn about dinosaurs, fossils and everything prehistory! See dinosaur skulls from museum collections around the world! Discover how fossils are made and get up close to pieces that are millions of years old! Learn everything about your favourite dinosaurs and explore all that's new from the field! Date Event July 8 Live Canadian Raptor Conservancy's Birds of Prey show July 15 Magic show with Scott Dietrich - voted "Best Children's Entertainer" for eight straight years July 22 Club Rex - an interactive show with dinosaur skulls from collections around the world July 29 Little Ray's Nature's Ninjas - featuring live animals! August 12 Miss T the Bubble Queen's Bubbleology Show August 19 Trolls Party with bubbles, music, face painting and a visit with Poppy!

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Monday, July 22 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 Hamilton/Burlington/Brantford and Brantford Public Library, supported by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

Tuesday, July 23, 2024

The Story Garden at St. Paul

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 23 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us in the St. Paul backyard for a storytime filled with garden-inspired stories, songs and activities for the whole family. (In the event of rain, storytime will take place indoors.)

Brantford Native Housing

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 23 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.

Senior Storywriters

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 23 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, participants will learn about the craft of writing, and practice turning story ideas into engaging narrative tales. Topics are decided upon by the group and led by a designated facilitator. Contact Heather at hbrown@brantfordlibrary.ca to find out more or register.

Tween STEAM

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 23 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

PerlerPalooza! Perler beads are plastic fuse beads that you place on a grid and melt together with an iron. Select a template or create a design from scratch for yourself or gift to a friend.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 23 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Teen Switch Night

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 23 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

This program is for youth aged 12-18. Join us for an evening of gaming. Bring some friends, enjoy some fun video games and have a snack!

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 23 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 Hamilton/ Burlington/Brantford and Brantford Public Library, supported by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

Wednesday, July 24, 2024

Play Date in the Square

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 24 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Address: Harmony Square, 89 Dalhousie Street

Join us for an outdoor play date in Harmony Square! Every week we'll be bringing giant games, bubbles, and more. Weather permitting.

Alzheimer Society Social Café

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Alzheimer Society's Social Café is a welcoming space offered weekly where persons living with dementia and their care partner can socialize, build support networks and enjoy dementia friendly activities together. Please call 1-800-565-4614 ext. 421 to register. Once registered you can drop in as many times as you like.

Season of Kindness - Brantford Random Acts of Kindness Group

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Each week, kids and families can create something special for a community partner in need. Then share the experience of donating and making a positive change in our community! July 3 - Autism Dog Services Making dog toys July 10 - Equal Ground Community Gardens Painting rocks for community gardens July 17 - Brantford Public Library Home Delivery Service Making bookmarks for Home Delivery Service customers July 24 - Brantford Random Acts of Kindness Group Making flowers with inspirations sayings July 31 - Brantford Community Connections Decorating cookies and cupcakes for customers August 7 - Brantford Public Library Baby & Me Storytime Making Texture Boards for babies August 14 - William Hans Schmidt, Veteran Making cards to thank Veterans and Canadian Forces members August 21 - Community Helpers Making yard signs to thank City of Brantford workers

Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 24 4:30 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 with a youth outreach worker is also available. For more information, contact Megan (Youth in Transition Worker – megan.potvin@ymcahbb.ca), or Jess (Youth Outreach Worker - yow.jess@wesley.ca)

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 24 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Thursday, July 25, 2024

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

A Service Canada Outreach Specialist can answer questions, help you understand and access Government of Canada programs and benefits available to you. Get one-on-one access to information about Social Insurance Numbers (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.

Backyard STEAM

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

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us in the St. Paul backyard to create and experiment with hands-on activities and maybe even some robots.

Canoe Storytime

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Meet us at the canoe in the Children's Department for stories, songs, and activities.

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, July 25 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 six, with their caregivers.

Wisdom in Wealth: Exploring Old Age Security Benefits for Elder Adults

Date and Time: Thursday, July 25 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Participate in a 1-hour session centred on the Old Age Security pension and its benefits, exploring eligibility requirements for individuals aged 65 and older living in Canada for at least 10 years. Learn about additional programs such as the Guaranteed Income Supplement, the Allowance, and the Allowance for Survivors tailored for low-income recipients aged 60 to 64, including estimating benefits and navigating the application process. These sessions are part of the Healthy Aging Passport Program with the City of Brantford and are offered in collaboration with Service Canada and the Canada Revenue Agency at the Brantford Public Library.

A Place to Be

Date and Time: Thursday, July 25 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop in for snacks and DIY activities of your choice.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Thursday, July 25 2:00 pm - 3:00 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Youth Area Drop-in - 3D Design

Date and Time: Thursday, July 25 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop-in to the Youth Area at the Main Branch, and while you are there, try your hand at 3D Design. BPL staff will be there to show you how! This drop-in program is specifically for teens (13+ years).

Friday, July 26, 2024

Storywalk - The Darkest Dark

Date and Time: Friday, July 26 9:00 am

Address: 70 Anderson Road

Here's a fun event for the entire family! Come to Anderson Road Park this weekend and read "The Darkest Dark" by author/astronaut Chris Hadfield at the Summer Reading Club Storywalk from the Brantford Public Library. After, report your reading and you could win a Summer Reading Club prize: brantfordlibrary.ca/summerreading

Summer Crafts and Activities (St. Paul Branch)

Date and Time: Friday, July 26 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Drop by the St. Paul Branch for some crafts and activities. While supplies last.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Friday, July 26 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Our Book a Librarian program provides you with one-hour of one-on-one help from Library staff. During this session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Yoga in the Library

Date and Time: Friday, July 26 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.

Housing Computer Lab

Date and Time: Friday, July 26 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

A weekly drop-in program open to all ages for housing search computer support and rental system navigation. Limited to nine spaces. In partnership with SOAR Community Services.

Community Connections

Date and Time: Friday, July 26 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. designed to link people to community resources and provide a helping hand. Community organizations will attend when available. There will be coffee, snacks, and conversation.

Saturday, July 27, 2024

Storywalk - The Darkest Dark

Date and Time: Saturday, July 27 9:00 am

Address: 70 Anderson Road

Here's a fun event for the entire family! Come to Anderson Road Park this weekend and read “The Darkest Dark” by author/astronaut Chris Hadfield at the Summer Reading Club Storywalk from the Brantford Public Library. After, report your reading and you could win a Summer Reading Club prize: brantfordlibrary.ca/summerreading

D & D Campaign

Date and Time: Saturday, July 27 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Dungeons & Dragons is back at Brantford Public Library! Registration is required. This group is for ages 10-16. No experience required. D&D is a fantasy tabletop role-playing game which lets players create their own character, 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.

Sunday, July 28, 2024

Storywalk - The Darkest Dark

Date and Time: Sunday, July 28 9:00 am

Address: 70 Anderson Road

Here's a fun event for the entire family! Come to Anderson Road Park this weekend and read “The Darkest Dark” by author/astronaut Chris Hadfield at the Summer Reading Club Storywalk from the Brantford Public Library. After, report your reading and you could win a Summer Reading Club prize: brantfordlibrary.ca/summerreading

Monday, July 29, 2024

Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

Date and Time: Monday, July 29 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

Marvelous Mondays - Little Ray's Nature's Ninjas

Date and Time: Monday, July 29 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

On Mondays in July and August, we'll host an exciting event for the whole family! Explore some of the unique mechanisms of self-defense that reptiles, amphibians, mammals and invertebrates have evolved. Why do skunks spray? What do tarantulas do to protect themselves from predators? Find the answers to these questions and more in this exploration of amazing animal adaptations and instincts. Date Event July 8 Live Canadian Raptor Conservancy's Birds of Prey show July 15 Magic show with Scott Dietrich - voted "Best Children's Entertainer" for eight straight years July 22 Club Rex - an interactive show with dinosaur skulls from collections around the world July 29 Little Ray's Nature's Ninjas - featuring live animals! August 12 Miss T the Bubble Queen's Bubbleology Show August 19 Trolls Party with bubbles, music, face painting and a visit with Poppy!

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Monday, July 29 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 Hamilton/Burlington/Brantford and Brantford Public Library, supported by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

Tuesday, July 30, 2024

The Story Garden at St. Paul

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 30 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us in the St. Paul backyard for a storytime filled with garden-inspired stories, songs and activities for the whole family. (In the event of rain, storytime will take place indoors.)

Brantford Native Housing

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 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.

Tween STEAM

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 30 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Maze Makers Today we're building mazes using recycled materials and Lego. Gold, Silver & Bronze medals will be awarded to the top three most inventive mazes.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 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 Hamilton/ Burlington/Brantford and Brantford Public Library, supported by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

Play Date in the Square

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 31 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Address: Harmony Square, 89 Dalhousie Street

Join us for an outdoor play date in Harmony Square! Every week we'll be bringing giant games, bubbles, and more. Weather permitting.

Alzheimer Society Social Café

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 31 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Alzheimer Society's Social Café is a welcoming space offered weekly where persons living with dementia and their care partner can socialize, build support networks and enjoy dementia friendly activities together. Please call 1-800-565-4614 ext. 421 to register. Once registered you can drop in as many times as you like.

Season of Kindness - Brantford Community Connections

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 31 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Each week, kids and families can create something special for a community partner in need. Then share the experience of donating and making a positive change in our community! July 3 - Autism Dog Services Making dog toys July 10 - Equal Ground Community Gardens Painting rocks for community gardens July 17 - Brantford Public Library Home Delivery Service Making bookmarks for Home Delivery Service customers July 24 - Brantford Random Acts of Kindness Group Making flowers with inspirations sayings July 31 - Brantford Community Connections Decorating cookies and cupcakes for customers August 7 - Brantford Public Library Baby & Me Storytime Making Texture Boards for babies August 14 - William Hans Schmidt, Veteran Making cards to thank Veterans and Canadian Forces members August 21 - Community Helpers Making yard signs to thank City of Brantford workers

Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 31 4:30 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 with a youth outreach worker is also available. For more information, contact Megan (Youth in Transition Worker – megan.potvin@ymcahbb.ca), or Jess (Youth Outreach Worker - yow.jess@wesley.ca)

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Wednesday, July 31 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 session, our staff can help you with: Using the Internet Using online databases Accessing our digital collection and online tools Searching and using our online catalogue Finding books Research tips Introduction to family history resources One-on-one sessions will be held at our Main Branch. Note: Library staff are unable to assist with troubleshooting personal computers/laptops, installing software, typing documents and forms and online purchases. 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 Research and Learning page.

<https://calendar.brantfordlibrary.ca>