

Tuesday, September 3, 2024

Brantford Native Housing

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 3 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.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 3 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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- Using the Internet
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- Introduction to family history resources

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Wednesday, September 4, 2024

Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 4 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)

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 4 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

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Thursday, September 5, 2024

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

Date and Time: Thursday, September 5 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 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.

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, September 5 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.

A Place to Be

Date and Time: Thursday, September 5 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

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Drop in for snacks and DIY activities of your choice.

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St. Paul Crafters Circle

Date and Time: Thursday, September 5 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, September 6, 2024

Book a Librarian

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Community Connections

Date and Time: Friday, September 6 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, September 7, 2024

Book a Librarian

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Monday, September 9, 2024

Tech Time

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Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

Date and Time: Monday, September 9 10:30 am - 11:00 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 and are available for borrowing.

Ages 0 – 18 months.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

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Call 519-752-4568 ext.3645 for information.

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Baby & Me Storytime (St. Paul Branch)

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 10 10:30 am - 11:15 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us every Tuesday 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 and available for borrowing.

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St. Paul Adult Craft Series - Painting Birch Trees

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 10 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

September 10 - Painting Birch Trees: Learn a no-brush watercolour technique.

Registration begins August 15.

October 16 - Squeegee Painting: Experiment with acrylics and unusual tools.

Registration begins September 11.

November 21 - Autumn Leaf Bowl: Create a decorative bowl out of leaves.

Registration begins October 16.

December 5 - Mason Jar Candle Holder: Create a sparking centerpiece for winter!

Registration begins November 13.

Separate registration is required for each program.

Senior Storywriters

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 10 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.

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Introduction to 3D Design - PROGRAM CANCELLED

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 10 6:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Learn the basics of 3D design while creating your own simple 3D object. We'll show you how to use free online software and prepare and submit your design to be printed at the Library. Basic computer skills required.

This workshop will be offered twice:
September 10 at 6:00 PM (**Registration opens August 15**)
October 29 at 6:00 PM (**Registration opens October 1**)

Please note that space for this program is very limited. If you wish to register more than two people from a family or group, please contact Amy at awoodhouse@brantfordlibrary.ca directly.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

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Wednesday, September 11, 2024

Storytime at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 11 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 rhymes, repeating phrases, exploring story props, and strengthening comprehension, together! Books from our collection will be carefully selected to help bring the learning home.

This is a drop-in program. No registration is required.

Therapeutic Crafting Series - Macrame Planter and Cognitive Therapy (CBT & DBT)

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 11 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Merge your desire for crafting with your thirst for knowledge! Join psychotherapist Korrenne to discuss different kinds of therapy while you work on a mini craft.

September 11: Macrame Planter and Cognitive Therapy (CBT & DBT)

Registration begins August 15.

October 9: Hexagon Quilt Block and Grief Therapy

Registration begins September 4.

November 13: Crochet Headband and Trauma Therapy

Registration begins October 2.

Separate registration is required for each program. This is a discussion of the types of therapy and by no means therapy itself.

Alzheimer Society Social Café

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 11 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

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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, September 11 2:00 pm - 3:00 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:

September – [The Midnight Library](#) by Matt Haig

October – [A Good Girl's Guide to Murder](#) by Holly Jackson

November –

December –

January –

February –

March –

April –

Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space

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Thursday, September 12, 2024

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

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

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), Old Age Security (OAS) and Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) and Passport Canada programs.

Crafty Kids Storytime

Date and Time: Thursday, September 12 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

Ages 0 - 6.

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, September 12 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.

Grand River Book Club

Date and Time: Thursday, September 12 2:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

The Grand River Book Club meets once a month at the St. Paul 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.

Tech Time @ St. Paul

Date and Time: Thursday, September 12 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

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This program is a live, in-person event to be held at the St. Paul Library.

A Place to Be

Date and Time: Thursday, September 12 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

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Drop in for snacks and DIY activities of your choice.

Book a Librarian

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Teen Drop-In

Date and Time: Thursday, September 12 3:00 pm - 4:45 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Dive into creativity at this program designed just for teens! Explore art projects and get hands-on access to Maker technologies in our new Youth Space.

Activities will include Perler beading, Sphero robots, 3D design, and simple sewing machine project.

No registration is required.

After School Zone @ St. Paul

Date and Time: Thursday, September 12 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Drop in and join the fun in the St. Paul After School Zone! Use your imagination to create an exciting craft, or participate in a hands-on activity, each week will be a unique experience.

For kids 6 to 12.

Main Adult Craft Series - Painting Birch Trees

Date and Time: Thursday, September 12 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

September 12 - Painting Birch Trees: Learn a no-brush watercolour technique.

Registration opens August 15

October 17 - Squeegee Painting: Experiment with acrylics and unusual tools.

Registration opens September 12

November 20 - Autumn Leaf Bowl: Create a decorative bowl out of leaves.

Registration opens October 16

December 4 - Mason Jar Candle Holder: Create a sparking centrepiece for winter!

Registration opens November 13

Separate registration is required for each program.

Friday, September 13, 2024

PA Day Crafts & Activities

Date and Time: Friday, September 13 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Come and join us at the Main Branch this PA Day for a fun craft and exciting activities. Stay and play all day!

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Learn to Code for Kids

Date and Time: Friday, September 13 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us this PA Day for a learn to code program designed for kids aged 10+. Led by a volunteer from McMaster University, participants will learn to create digital objects, and bring them to life with fun using code. Perfect for young minds eager to explore the world of coding!

Registration is required.

Community Connections

Date and Time: Friday, September 13 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, September 14, 2024

Chess Club

Date and Time: Saturday, September 14 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Brantford Chess Club offers basic instructions and tips on how to improve your chess game during this drop-in event. All are welcome.

Introduction to Model Aviation and Remote Piloting

Date and Time: Saturday, September 14 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Ever dreamed of being a pilot? What about piloting by remote? Not automated drones, where a computer makes all the decisions, but taking control of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems to achieve launch, flight, and touch down. Maybe even starting your own journey towards building and customizing models!

We're partnering with the experienced members of Brant Flyers RC to offer aspiring pilots from 10 to 100 years of age* a unique and exciting opportunity to learn about and experience the wonder of mobile aviation. At no cost, you can attend a four-week course here at the Main library to learn how and why these remote aircraft work and enjoy hands-on experiences at each stage of the process. Then, for the fifth week, you'll receive a special invitation.

Schedule of interactive topics:

Sept 14: Introduction to Model Aviation

Sept 21: Aircraft Materials and Construction

Sept 28: Propulsion and Control Systems

Oct 5: Flight Safety/Build Workshop

Oct 12: Flying/BBQ Afternoon at the Brant Flyers Field**

*Participants under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a parent or responsible guardian. This course is not recommended for children under 10 years of age.

**By invitation only. Refreshments and materials will be provided, however transportation to and from this event is the responsibility of the participant.

Brant Flyers RC is associated with the Model Aeronautics Association of Canada (MAAC), the governing body for model aviation in Canada, and in turn, the Aeroclub of Canada as well as the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI) the global sport aviation authority.

Contact Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca for more information.

Registration opens August 15.

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Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

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Ages 0 – 18 months.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

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Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Baby & Me Storytime (St. Paul Branch)

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Help Your Kids Learn to Code: An Information Session

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 17 6:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us for an informative event for parents eager to help their kids explore coding. Learn about resources designed to make coding fun and engaging, and share useful tips on making the most out of them.

Registration begins August 15.

Please note that space for this program is very limited. If you wish to register more than two people from a family or group, please contact Amy at awoodhouse@brantfordlibrary.ca directly.

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Tween Tuesdays

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 17 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

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Join us each week for an exciting program where you can:

Create & Build: Work on awesome projects and let your imagination run wild!

Play & Hangout: Enjoy games, chat about your favourite books, or just chill with friends.

Collaborate & Connect: Team up with others and share ideas in a cool, relaxed setting.

No matter what you love to do, there's something for everyone.

Ages 9 - 12.

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

Storytime at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 18 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 rhymes, repeating phrases, exploring story props, and strengthening comprehension, together! Books from our collection will be carefully selected to help bring the learning home.

This is a drop-in program. No registration is required.

Getting Ready for Kindergarten: Fall 2024 Session 1 (September - October)

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 18 1:30 pm - 2:15 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Preschoolers ages 3+ will enjoy this 6-week-long, kindergarten readiness program focusing on social skills and

independence! The weekly program length is 45 minutes. Parents and caregivers must remain in the Library while children participate independently in the program. Register ONCE for this 6-week session.

Registration opens August 19.

Alzheimer Society Social Café

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How to Tell Stories: Tips, Techniques & Telling Tales

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 18 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!

Registration opens August 15.

Thursday, September 19, 2024

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Crafty Kids Storytime

Date and Time: Thursday, September 19 10:30 am - 11:00 am

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Ages 0 - 6.

Come Play! - EarlyON

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Youth Volunteer Group

Date and Time: Thursday, September 19 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm

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Join the Youth Volunteer Group and help shape your Library into a place you want to be. Come to learn about more ways to get your volunteer hours and receive hours while you attend the program.

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For kids 6 to 12.

St. Paul Crafters Circle

Date and Time: Thursday, September 19 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.

Teen Writers

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St. Paul Readers Circle

Date and Time: Friday, September 20 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.

Community Connections

Date and Time: Friday, September 20 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, September 21, 2024

Book a Librarian

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**By invitation only. Refreshments and materials will be provided, however transportation to and from this event is the responsibility of the participant.

Brant Flyers RC is associated with the Model Aeronautics Association of Canada (MAAC), the governing body for model aviation in Canada, and in turn, the Aeroclub of Canada as well as the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI) the global sport aviation authority.

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Registration opens August 15.

Dungeons & Dragons Campaigns

Date and Time: Saturday, September 21 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Come join Brantford Public Library's Dungeons & Dragons campaign! No experience is required. Registration mandatory, space is limited. Email Emma to register.

Ages 10 - 16 years.

Weekend Roundtable Book Club

Date and Time: Saturday, September 21 2:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Weekend Roundtable 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:

September – [Five Little Indians](#)

October – [Greenwood](#)

November – [Hench](#)

December – [Homegoing](#)

January – [How High We Go in the Dark](#)

February – [Mrs. Everything](#)

Monday, September 23, 2024

Tech Time

Date and Time: Monday, September 23 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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!

Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

Date and Time: Monday, September 23 10:30 am - 11:00 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 and are available for borrowing.

Ages 0 – 18 months.

Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Monday, September 23 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Canada Connects helps newcomers receive informal support enhancing their spoken language skills. Volunteer facilitators organize conversation circles along certain social themes that are discussed in each session. These conversation groups allow newcomers and volunteers to meet other newcomers, share experiences, socialize, and make new friends.

This program is for newcomers to Canada, 18 years and older. 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.

Writers Support Circle

Date and Time: Monday, September 23 6:00 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 exchange of ideas about each other's work.

Contact Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca before your first visit for more information on participating.

Registration opens August 15. After registering, you will receive updates and information on how to attend closer to the date of the event.

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Baby & Me Storytime (St. Paul Branch)

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 24 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us every Tuesday 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 and available for borrowing.

Ages 0 – 18 months.

Brantford Native Housing

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 24 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, September 24 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.

Book a Librarian

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 24 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

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Brantford Bookworms

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 24 6:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

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Tween Tuesdays

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 24 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us each week for an exciting program where you can:

Create & Build: Work on awesome projects and let your imagination run wild!

Play & Hangout: Enjoy games, chat about your favourite books, or just chill with friends.

Collaborate & Connect: Team up with others and share ideas in a cool, relaxed setting.

No matter what you love to do, there's something for everyone.

Ages 9 - 12.

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Storytime at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 25 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 rhymes, repeating phrases, exploring story props, and strengthening comprehension, together! Books from our collection will be carefully selected to help bring the learning home.

This is a drop-in program. No registration is required.

Getting Ready for Kindergarten: Fall 2024 Session 1 (September - October)

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 25 1:30 pm - 2:15 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Preschoolers ages 3+ will enjoy this 6-week-long, kindergarten readiness program focusing on social skills and independence! The weekly program length is 45 minutes. Parents and caregivers must remain in the Library while children participate independently in the program. Register ONCE for this 6-week session.

Registration opens August 19.

Alzheimer Society Social Café

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 25 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.

Crossroads Youth Drop-In Space

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 25 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)

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Thursday, September 26, 2024

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

Date and Time: Thursday, September 26 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.

Crafty Kids Storytime

Date and Time: Thursday, September 26 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

Ages 0 - 6.

Come Play! - EarlyON

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Teen Drop-In

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Dive into creativity at this program designed just for teens! Explore art projects and get hands-on access to Maker technologies in our new Youth Space.

Activities will include Perler beading, Sphero robots, 3D design, and simple sewing machine project.

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Meet the Author: Featuring Ray Robertson

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Have you ever wondered what it's really like to be a career author? To build a successful body of work over several decades? Here is your chance to hear and ask questions about Ray Robertson's ongoing journey as an author.

Ray is the author of nine novels, five collections of nonfiction, and one book of poetry -- so far. *Dust: More Lives of the Poets (with Guitars)* will be published in early 2025. He also contributed the liner notes to three Grateful Dead archival releases: *Dave's Picks #45*, the *Here Comes Sunshine* 1973 box set, and the 50th Anniversary Deluxe Edition of *From the Mars Hotel*. His work has been translated into several languages.

Light refreshments will be served. **Registration opens August 22.**

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Truth and Reconciliation Film Day

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Join us in recognizing the upcoming National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, as we reflect upon the legacy of the Residential School System here in Canada with a screening of *We Were Children*. This powerful movie by Tim Wolochatiuk tells the despairing story of two residential school survivors.

Mature theme; parental discretion advised. Intended for audiences 16 years and older

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Chess Club

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The Brantford Chess Club offers basic instructions and tips on how to improve your chess game during this drop-in event. All are welcome.

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