

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

Brantford Native Housing

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

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Wednesday, September 3, 2025

Social Services Outreach Worker Drop-In

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 3 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Clients can drop in for help with system navigation and help with smaller tasks such as telephone use and referrals to other agencies

Alzheimer Society Social Café

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 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.

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Thursday, September 4, 2025

Connected Aging: Smartphone Basics 101

Date and Time: Thursday, September 4 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us for a free digital workshop for older adults featuring an introduction to smartphones.

Contact Brant Skills Centre to register at 519-758-1664.

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, September 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.

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A Place to Be

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

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Drop in for snacks and DIY activities of your choice. In partnership with Community Living Brant.

St. Paul Crafters Circle

Date and Time: Thursday, September 4 6:00 pm - 7:30 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 5, 2025

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Community Connections

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Saturday, September 6, 2025

Dungeons & Dragons Campaigns

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Come join Brantford Public Library's Dungeons & Dragons campaign! No experience is required. For youth ages 10 - 16. Registration mandatory, space is limited. Email eflintoft@brantfordlibrary.ca to register.

Book a Librarian

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Monday, September 8, 2025

Tech Time

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Date and Time: Monday, September 8 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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Tuesday, September 9, 2025

Senior Storywriters

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 9 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

For writers 55+, this biweekly program combines socialization with discussion about various aspects of the craft of writing, engaging activities, and the opportunity to share and review some of your work in a non-judgmental, supportive environment.

Contact Abbey at azacharski@brantfordlibrary.ca for more information and to register.

Brantford Native Housing

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Perler Bead Keychains for Teens

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 9 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Just in time for back to school! Drop by the teen area and learn how to make your own keychains out of Perler beads.

Ages 13-18. No registration is required.

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

Main Book Club

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 10 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.

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Cookbook Club

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 10 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Do you love to cook and enjoy trying new recipes? Are you looking to level up your skills and branch out into different styles and connect with others who also enjoy cooking and baking? Join us for a monthly Cookbook Club, where we get together, each choose a different recipe from the same cookbook and then come back to discuss making that recipe and what we've learned.

Due to public health regulations, we cannot share/bring food to this event.

Registration opens on August 15.

Thursday, September 11, 2025

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

Date and Time: Thursday, September 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.

Connected Aging: Smartphone Basics 102: iPhone

Date and Time: Thursday, September 11 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us for a free digital workshop for older adults featuring an introduction to iPhones.

Contact Brant Skills Centre to register at 519-758-1664.

Come Play! - EarlyON

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Tech Time @ St. Paul

Date and Time: Thursday, September 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.

Grand River Book Club

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

A Place to Be

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Friday, September 12, 2025

Book a Librarian

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PA Day: Fall Into Science

Date and Time: Friday, September 12 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

It's the first PA Day of the school year! Come and celebrate Fall in our fun, hands-on science program with interactive stations and activities for all ages! (10-12 pm) In the afternoon enjoy a scavenger hunt, board games, colouring and more!

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

Community Connections

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PA Day: Writing Workshop with Lana Button

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Come write a story at this fun and hands-on writing workshop for kids! Award-winning author [Lana Button](#) will use examples from her 17 published children's books to share tips and tricks for coming up with story ideas. Bring a pencil and some paper, and your imagination, and Lana will share how to create fun characters, and how to get a story from 'problem' to 'solution'!

Ages 8-12.

This is a registered program. Registration opens on August 12th.

Saturday, September 13, 2025

Chess Club

Date and Time: Saturday, September 13 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.

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Family Video Game Design Workshop

Date and Time: Saturday, September 13 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Have you ever wanted to try making a video game yourself? This workshop is open to families who want to learn how; no prior coding experience is needed!

Participants will first learn how to plan out a branching story and then turn what they've written into a text adventure game with the free online tool Twine. Please bring a USB drive to save games and play at home.

Maximum of four family members per group. Registration opens on August 13th.

Monday, September 15, 2025

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Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

Date and Time: Monday, September 15 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.

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Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles

Date and Time: Monday, September 15 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. It is 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, September 16, 2025

Drop-In Brain Health Information and Education Session

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 16 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join this informal drop-in session to ask questions about dementia, changes in the brain, and brain health.

Whether you're seeking answers about symptoms, care strategies, or prevention, this is a great opportunity to get reliable information and support from an expert in the field.

Baby & Me Storytime (St. Paul Branch)

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

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

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Tween Tuesdays

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 16 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.

Introduction to 3D Design and Printing

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

Registration opens on August 15.

How to Tell Stories: Tips, Techniques, and Telling Tales

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

Address: 144 St. Paul Avenue

Whether coaxing your kids to sleep at night, sitting around a campfire, or pitching an idea at work, it pays to be a persuasive and engaging storyteller.

Join us for five progressive workshops with the Brant Story Time Entertainers, where you'll learn the skills to make yourself a master storyteller. Themes will include Circle of Life, Morals and Lessons, Fairy Tales, The Senses, and Myths.

Registration opens on August 15.

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Wednesday, September 17, 2025

Storytime at St. Paul

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

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

In this weekly storytime hosted every Wednesday, preschoolers will develop a love for reading by learning easy 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. Ages 18 months to 4 years.

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Youth Volunteer Group

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 17 5:30 pm - 6:45 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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.

Black Communities of Brantford Speaker Series: Patrick Brode

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 17 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Black Communities of Brantford Speaker Series presents a variety of perspectives on Brantford's Black history from authors and researchers.

Patrick Brode is the author of *The Odyssey of John Anderson*.

Other programs in the series include:

April 9 - Jerry Prager - Author of a series of books on fugitive slaves in the Queen's Bush: *Laying the Bed, Exodus and Arrival*, and *Blood in the Mortar*.

May 14 - Andrew Hunter - Author of *It Was Dark There All the Time: Sophia Burthen and the Legacy of Slavery in Canada*.

June 11 - Paul Allen - Author of *Bright Lights Black Stars: Negro League Players and Canada's Oldest Baseball League*.

July 16 - Professor Paul Lovejoy - Author of *Busha's Mistress or Catherine the Fugitive*, an early novel on the slave trade in Jamaica.

August 13 - Dr. Elaine A. Brown Spencer - Author of *The Black Church in Canada*.

In partnership with the Brantford Public Library, Brant Theatre Workshops, the Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre, and the Brant Historical Society.

Thursday, September 18, 2025

Crafty Kids Storytime

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Preschoolers can get creative with stories, songs and a craft! Each week children will make a cute craft to take home. Ages 0 - 6.

Come Play! - EarlyON

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

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Maximizing Brain Health

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

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Positive, everyday actions can improve brain health and even lower the risk of cognitive decline and dementia. Learn about all the little habits you can incorporate to help maintain a healthy brain.

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St. Paul Crafters Circle

Date and Time: Thursday, September 18 6:00 pm - 7:30 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 19, 2025

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St. Paul Readers Circle

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Saturday, September 20, 2025

Dungeons & Dragons Campaigns

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Come join Brantford Public Library's Dungeons & Dragons campaign! No experience is required. For youth ages 10 - 16. Registration mandatory, space are limited. Email eflintoft@brantfordlibrary.ca to register.

Book a Librarian

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Address: 173 Colborne Street

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No program on Saturday, October 11.

Registration opens on August 20th.

Monday, September 22, 2025

Tech Time

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Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)

Date and Time: Monday, September 22 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

Baby & Me Storytime (St. Paul Branch)

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 23 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.

Senior Storywriters

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 23 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

For writers 55+, this biweekly program combines socialization with discussion about various aspects of the craft of writing, engaging activities, and the opportunity to share and review some of your work in a non-judgmental, supportive environment.

Contact Abbey at azacharski@brantfordlibrary.ca for more information and to register.

Brantford Native Housing

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 23 2:00 pm - 3:00 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

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Drop-In Button Making

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop by the Teen Area to make your own buttons with our button maker! Use cutouts from magazines and graphic novels or make your own designs! All materials will be provided.

Ages 13-18.

No registration is required.

Brantford Bookworms

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

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

The Brantford Bookworms meet on the last Tuesday evening of the 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.

Tween Tuesdays

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 23 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.

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Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Storytime at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 24 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. Ages 18 months to 4 years.

Alzheimer Society Social Café

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 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.

Know Your Community Pharmacist

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 24 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

A pharmacist and pharmacy owner, Natalie Hawkins will discuss the importance of medication checks with your pharmacist and point out some of the 'red flags' for seniors. Bring your questions and learn about the valuable resources available at your pharmacy. Note that this session is for informational purposes only; there will be no personal consultation. Please check with your health care provider(s) for guidance and instruction.

Registration opens on September 2.

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Family Build and Play

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Are you ready to build, laugh, and be creative? Join us for a night of LEGO challenges the whole family can enjoy! Bring your imagination and bond over bricks!

All ages welcome.

What Makes a Serial Killer? A Conversation with Mary McCluskey

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

True crime enthusiasts are invited to join us for a presentation by Mary McCluskey, an instructor in the Criminology Department at [Wilfrid Laurier University](#), who will discuss the psychological aspects of what makes someone a serial murderer and the public's fascination with criminal activity.

Registration opens on August 15.

Thursday, September 25, 2025

Service Canada Outreach Specialist

Date and Time: Thursday, September 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.

Crafty Kids Storytime

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Preschoolers can get creative with stories, songs and a craft! Each week children will make a cute craft to take home. Ages 0 - 6.

Service Canada: Understanding Your Paycheque

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Do you understand everything on your pay stub? Your pay stub can be confusing whether you're starting your first job or have been working for years. We'll walk you through the key components of your pay, explain deductions, and introduce valuable benefits and credits while navigating Canada.ca Job Bank . This session covers gross pay, net pay, and deductions like income tax, EI (Employment Insurance), and CPP/QPP (Pension Plans). Learn about the Canada Child Benefit, GST/HST Credit, and Canada Workers Benefit.

Presented by a Service Canada and a Canada Revenue Agency representative.

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, September 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.

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A Place to Be

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop in for snacks and DIY activities of your choice. In partnership with Community Living Brant.

The Impact of Screen Time on Child Development

Date and Time: Thursday, September 25 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us for a presentation by Sarah Willson, Denise Copegog-Sparks, and Samantha Hunter from [Lansdowne Children's Centre](#) on the effects of screen time on children's development.

Registration opens on August 15.

Friday, September 26, 2025

Book a Librarian

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

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Sensory Storytime

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Sensory Storytime is an inclusive program for children who may benefit from more movement, a quieter space, and sensory experiences.

This storytime features interactive stories, songs, and movement activities in a welcoming environment.

Registration is required to ensure a small group setting, and all abilities are welcome. Ages 0-6.

Registration opens on September 2. Email kthomas@brantfordlibrary.ca to register. You must register for each session individually.

Community Connections

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

An adult drop-in program designed to link people to community resources. Refreshments served.

Phantom Footnotes: Investigating the Paranormal with TOPS (Special Library Edition)

Date and Time: Friday, September 26 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street / 73 George Street

Take a step into Library history! Join [The Ontario Paranormal Society](#) and the Brantford Public Library for a paranormal investigation at the historic Carnegie Building. Opened in 1904 to house the Brantford Public Library, it was vacated when BPL moved to a larger location in 1991. Currently, it functions as the heart of Wilfrid Laurier University Brantford Campus, but the bones of the original building remain.

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*Registration for ONE investigation on Saturday, September 27. The options are 6:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m., or 9:00 p.m. The final tour may incorporate a session with a Ouija board.

Saturday's tours will be located at **73 George Street, Brantford, Ontario.**

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[Register for the 6 p.m. Session](#)

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- We recommend a light meal before attending evening events.
- No element of this event is intended to be frightening, but content may be unsuitable or unnerving for some. Age 18+ only.

Saturday, September 27, 2025

Chess Club

Date and Time: Saturday, September 27 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.

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Roll The Dice! Family Edition

Date and Time: Saturday, September 27 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Looking for a fun, screen-free way to spend time together? Join us at the Main Branch for an afternoon of board games and snacks for the whole family! Drop in anytime; just bring your game face and your appetite for fun!

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Join us in recognizing and honoring 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 the film *Bones of Crows*. The film follows Cree Matriarch Aline Spears. Aline survives her childhood in Canada's Indian Residential School system to continue her family's generational fight in the face of starvation and racism, including the trauma of mental, physical, and sexual abuse.

Some of these scenes may be upsetting or triggering, particularly for direct or intergenerational survivors of Residential Schools in the audience. This film is rated 14A – warning of sexual violence towards a minor.

Book Buddies (Grades 2 - 8)

Date and Time: Monday, September 29 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

For elementary school students in Grades 2 to 8, please join Laurier Students for Literacy at the Main Branch from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday for 1:1 tutoring help, including reading and writing support.

Fall programs run from September 29 to November 27. There are no regular programs during Reading Week (October 13 to 17) as well as September 30 and November 3.

Registration opens September 1st. To register, email lsflclub@gmail.com or visit their Facebook Page: [Laurier Students for Literacy Brantford](#).

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Grade 7-8 students can join LSFL's Reading Club on Thursday nights from 6:30-7:30 p.m., where they meet in a group setting with a volunteer facilitator to discuss and participate in activities about reading comprehension.

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