# Saturday, November 1, 2025

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## **Dungeons & Dragons Campaigns**

Date and Time: Saturday, November 1 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 ag es 10 - 16. Registration mandatory, spaces are limited. Email aflaherty@brantfordlibrary.ca to register.

### Kuné: A Musical Performance

Date and Time: Saturday, November 1 11:15 am - 12:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us at the Main Branch for a preview performance by musical artists from the collective, Kuné.

Kuné is an eleven-piece collective made up of ten immigrant musicians from all over the world and one Metis-Canadian. Their sound captures the experience of living in Toronto, the world's most diverse city. Through mus ic, they remember where they came from and envision a pluralistic future. On stage, Kuné (which means togeth er in Esperanto) fuses 11 musical traditions and 11 instruments into an ear-spinning confection of leaping melo dies and luscious timbres. Since the release of their new album Universal Echoes (2023), they have presented s everal concerts in major Canadian festivals

#### Learn to Code for Kids

Date and Time: Saturday, November 1 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

No program on Saturday, October 11.

Registration opens on August 20th.

# Sunday, November 2, 2025

### **Bell City Strum Club**

Date and Time: Sunday, November 2 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Bell City Strum Club is a free community group for adults interested in playing ukulele and singing as a gr oup. Beginners are welcome; no previous experience with the ukulele is required. At each gathering we'll take the time to teach chords and strumming techniques, moving forward at a pace that allows everyone to feel confi dent. Members of the Bell City Strummers will be available to assist.

The BCSC meets twice a month for 90 minutes. Registration is not required, but new members should email R obin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca to introduce themselves and for a brief orientation. A limited number of u kuleles and music stands are available to borrow.

#### About Catherine and Genevieve:

Catherine Gorecki and Genevieve Rochette have played and taught together for ten years. They teach lessons for students of all ages, including school ukulele ensembles at Ecole Dufferin and St. George German School. In 2 023, they travelled to Banos, Ecuador, to teach ESL through ukulele instruction, and in 2025, they co-chaired t he first annual Brantford Ukulele Festival to sold-out crowds. Learn about the Brantford Ukulele Society on th eir website.

# Tuesday, November 4, 2025

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### **Baby & Me Storytime (St. Paul Branch)**

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## **Senior Storywriters**

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 4 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 a ctivities, 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.

# **Application Support Program**

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ends. Collaborate & Connect: Team up with others and share ideas in a cool, relaxed setting. No matter what yo u love to do, there's something for everyone. Ages 9 - 12.

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

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 4 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 Se nses, and Myths.

Registration opens on August 15.

# Wednesday, November 5, 2025

## Storytime at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 5 10:30 am - 11:00 am

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## **Alzheimer Society Social Café**

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 5 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. Plea se call 1-800-565-4614 ext. 421 to register. Once registered you can drop in as many times as you like.

### Polish Combatants of Brantford: A Seniors @ BPL Event

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 5 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us for a fascinating presentation on the Polish combatants of Brantford, exploring the lives and legacy of l ocal Polish veterans who served in World War II and helped shape our community.

Learn about their incredible stories of resilience, sacrifice, and contribution overseas and at home. Presented by Canadian author, educator, and researcher Zig Misiak.

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## **Ancestry Library Edition: An Introduction**

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Learn the basics of using Ancestry Library Edition, including searching census, vital, immigration, and military records from Canada, the United States, and worldwide.

This program is held in our computer lab so participants can follow along and complete their own searches.

### Registration opens on October 1.

# Family Build and Play

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 5 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!

# Thursday, November 6, 2025

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## **Crafty Kids Storytime**

Date and Time: Thursday, November 6 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 h ome. Ages 0 - 6.

# Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, November 6 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

#### A Place to Be

Date and Time: Thursday, November 6 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.

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### St. Paul Crafters Circle

Date and Time: Thursday, November 6 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

### Reading Club (Grades 7 - 8)

Date and Time: Thursday, November 6 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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 di scuss and participate in activities about reading comprehension.

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# **Community Connections**

Date and Time: Friday, November 7 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

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### **Chess Club**

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Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

# **Embroidery Machine Basics**

Date and Time: Saturday, November 8 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us for a hands-on session where you'll learn the basics of using an embroidery machine and how to create a nd stitch your own custom digital design. We'll provide everything you need. Basic computer skills required.

### Registration opens on October 1.

#### **Book To Screen Movie Club: Fantastic Mr. Fox**

Date and Time: Saturday, November 8 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us as we experience the magic of watching some of our favourite children's books come alive on screen! We'll provide the snacks and the space!

Fall movie schedule:

October 11 - Horton Hears a Who November 8 - Fantastic Mr. Fox December 13 - Paddington

Parents MUST accompany their children to the movie screening.

All ages.

# **Roll The Dice! Family Edition**

Date and Time: Saturday, November 8 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 boar d games and snacks for the whole family! Drop in anytime; just bring your game face and your appetite for fun!

All ages welcome!

# Monday, November 10, 2025

#### **Tech Time**

Date and Time: Monday, November 10 10:00 am - 11:00 am

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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)**

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# Remembrance Day Screening: They Shall Not Grow Old

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Using state-of-the-art technology and materials from the BBC and Imperial War Museum, filmmaker Peter Jack son allows the story of World War I to be told by the men there.

Life on the front is explored through the voices of the soldiers, who discuss their feelings about the conflict, the food they ate, the friends they made, and their dreams of the future.

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### Main Book Club

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# **Ancestry Library Edition: An Introduction**

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 12 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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Learn the basics of using Ancestry Library Edition, including searching census, vital, immigration, and military records from Canada, the United States, and worldwide.

This program is held in our computer lab so participants can follow along and complete their own searches.

### Registration opens on October 1.

## **Alzheimer Society Social Café**

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## **Laurier Students for Literacy Arts & Activities Night**

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 12 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Laurier Students for Literacy is excited to invite you to our first-ever Arts & Activities Night. This event includ es not only LSFL, but also many other amazing Laurier Brantford clubs! Enjoy a trip through time with the Hist ory Students Association, try your hand at origami with the Laurier Origami Club, do some bookmark making with LSFL, and much more!

Light refreshments will be handed out by the Laurier Brantford Cheese Enthusiasts!

We can't wait to give you a taste of the Laurier Brantford Campus. This is a drop-in program for kids ages 7 -1 3.

### All Out Crafts and Chat

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 12 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Get crafty with your fellow 2SLGBTQ+ friends! This drop-in program is for people 16 years of age and older. Registration is not required.

Brought to you in partnership with The Bridge Brant.

## **Interconnected Through Time**

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 12 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Interconnected is a panel series showcasing the voices of 2SLQBTQIA+ community organizers. Panels will be moderated by Queer Joy Events.

Interconnected Through Time features a discussion on the experiences of community making from the perspective of 2SLQBTQIA+ seniors.

# Thursday, November 13, 2025

## Service Canada Outreach Specialist

Date and Time: Thursday, November 13 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 Ca nada programs and benefits available to you. Get one-on-one access to information about Social Insurance Nu mbers (SIN), Employment Insurance (EI), Canada Pension Plan (CPP), Canada Pension Disability Plan (CPP-D), Old Age Security (OAS) and Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) and Passport Canada programs.

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### **Grand River Book Club**

Date and Time: Thursday, November 13 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 registrat ion is required. If you are interested in joining this book club, please contact Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrar y.ca for more information.

# Tech Time @ St. Paul

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# **Evelyn Dick: A True Crime Conversation with Sarah Farr**

Date and Time: Thursday, November 13 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The case of Evelyn Dick is legendary in Hamilton and the surrounding areas. In 1946, she was charged with the murder of her husband and infant son. Although a well-known case, some pieces are still being uncovered. Join Sarah Farr, a researcher and writer who has dedicated herself to the Dick case, as she unpacks this fascinating cr ime.

**Registration opens on October 1.** 

## **Reading Club (Grades 7 - 8)**

Date and Time: Thursday, November 13 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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 di scuss and participate in activities about reading comprehension.

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# Friday, November 14, 2025

## **PA Day - Junior Detectives**

Date and Time: Friday, November 14 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Calling all curious minds! Join us for a PA day packed with puzzles, games, and hands-on fun.

All ages.

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## The Magic of Music with Miss Erin

Date and Time: Friday, November 14 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join music teacher and author Erin Huxley as we explore the Magic of Music! We'll have fun with musical acti vities, storytime, musical games, and a sing-along!

Ages 6-10.

This is a registered program. Registration opens on October 14th.

### **Investigate It!**

Date and Time: Friday, November 14 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Become a forensic scientist and investigate this whodunit by examining clues left at the scene! Learn how to interpret evidence by exploring fabric samples and running a chemical analysis on a mystery solution. Take your own fingerprints and compare them to those left behind. Use chromatography to analyze the ink used in a mysterious note. Will you identify the culprit? This program is being offered in collaboration with <u>Scientists in School</u>.

Ages 6-12.

Registration opens on October 14th.

# **Community Connections**

Date and Time: Friday, November 14 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

# Saturday, November 15, 2025

# **Dungeons & Dragons Campaigns**

Date and Time: Saturday, November 15 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 ag es 10 - 16. Registration mandatory, spaces are limited. Email aflaherty@brantfordlibrary.ca to register.

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### It's Slime Time!

Date and Time: Saturday, November 15 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Get ready for a messy, gooey time at the Library! Join us for an afternoon of slime-making fun! Unleash your in ner scientist and experiment with different ingredients! Then take your creation home!

This is a drop-in program for kids ages 8-12.

# Sunday, November 16, 2025

### **Bell City Strum Club**

Date and Time: Sunday, November 16 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Bell City Strum Club is a free community group for adults interested in playing ukulele and singing as a group. Beginners are welcome; no previous experience with the ukulele is required. At each gathering we'll take the time to teach chords and strumming techniques, moving forward at a pace that allows everyone to feel confident. Members of the Bell City Strummers will be available to assist.

The BCSC meets twice a month for 90 minutes. Registration is not required, but new members should email R obin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca to introduce themselves and for a brief orientation. A limited number of u kuleles and music stands are available to borrow.

#### About Catherine and Genevieve:

Catherine Gorecki and Genevieve Rochette have played and taught together for ten years. They teach lessons for students of all ages, including school ukulele ensembles at Ecole Dufferin and St. George German School. In 2 023, they travelled to Banos, Ecuador, to teach ESL through ukulele instruction, and in 2025, they co-chaired t he first annual Brantford Ukulele Festival to sold-out crowds. Learn about the <u>Brantford Ukulele Society</u> on th eir website.

# Monday, November 17, 2025

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### **Baby & Me Storytime (Main Branch)**

Date and Time: Monday, November 17 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 s ocializing among babies and caregivers. Books from our collection will be carefully selected with a particular t heme and are available for borrowing. Ages 0-18 months.

#### Conversation Café

Date and Time: Monday, November 17 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join our Conversation Café and connect with others in a welcoming space.

This free program is designed for Permanent Residents and Convention Refugees who want to improve their conversational English, learn about community services, and explore Canadian culture and customs.

Contact Daniela for more information at daniela.cuestafigueroa@ymcahbb.ca or phone 519-752-4568.

# **Social Services Outreach Worker Drop-In**

Date and Time: Monday, November 17 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 referr als to other agencies

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# Tuesday, November 18, 2025

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### **Senior Storywriters**

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 18 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 a ctivities, 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.

# **Application Support Program**

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 18 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

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Drop on Tuesday afternoons for support in completing all types of application forms.

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# **Tween Tuesdays**

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 18 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 y our imagination run wild! Play & Hangout: Enjoy games, chat about your favourite books, or just chill with fri ends. Collaborate & Connect: Team up with others and share ideas in a cool, relaxed setting. No matter what yo u love to do, there's something for everyone. Ages 9 - 12.

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

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 18 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 Se nses, and Myths.

Registration opens on August 15.

# Wednesday, November 19, 2025

## Storytime at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 19 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

In this weekly storytime hosted every Wednesday, preschoolers will develop a love for reading by learning easy r hymes, repeating phrases, exploring story props, and strengthening comprehension, together! Books from our c

ollection will be carefully selected to help bring the learning home. This is a drop-in program. Ages 18 months to 4 years.

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### Family Build and Play

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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.

#### Cookbook Club

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 19 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 C lub, 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.**

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# **Crafty Kids Storytime**

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Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

## **Come Play! - EarlyON**

Date and Time: Thursday, November 20 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

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# An Evening with Samantha M. Bailey

Date and Time: Thursday, November 20 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us for an exclusive evening with bestselling author <u>Samantha M. Bailey</u> - known for her twisty psychological thrillers Watch Out for Her, Woman on the Edge, A Friend in the Dark, and her newest release, Hello, Juliet. Hear about Samantha's writing process, her inspiration, and the real-life fears that fuel her fiction. Bailey's work delves into the complexities of identity, motherhood, and obsession -- perfect for readers who love suspense with emotional depth.

This in-person conversation will be hosted by special guest interviewer <u>Mark Leslie Lefebvre</u> and will include a live audience Q&A and book signing.

Free Event. Registration Required. Registration opens on October 10.

### St. Paul Crafters Circle

Date and Time: Thursday, November 20 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

# Reading Club (Grades 7 - 8)

Date and Time: Thursday, November 20 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

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# Friday, November 21, 2025

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## **Sensory Storytime**

Date and Time: Friday, November 21 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.

#### St. Paul Readers Circle

Date and Time: Friday, November 21 2:00 pm - 3:00 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, November 21 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

# Saturday, November 22, 2025

#### **Chess Club**

Date and Time: Saturday, November 22 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 dro p-in event. All are welcome.

#### Book a Librarian

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## **Roll The Dice! Family Edition**

Date and Time: Saturday, November 22 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 boar d games and snacks for the whole family! Drop in anytime; just bring your game face and your appetite for fun!

All ages welcome!

## Monday, November 24, 2025

#### **Tech Time**

Date and Time: Monday, November 24 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, November 24 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 s ocializing among babies and caregivers. Books from our collection will be carefully selected with a particular t heme and are available for borrowing. Ages 0 - 18 months.

### **Social Services Outreach Worker Drop-In**

Date and Time: Monday, November 24 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 referr als to other agencies

### **Homework Help (Grades 2 - 8)**

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#### **Canada Connects: English Conversation Circles**

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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 c onversation 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 Immi gration Canada.

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

## Tuesday, November 25, 2025

### **VON Fall Prevention Program**

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 25 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Fall Prevention Program offers group education and exercise classes to community members 55+ who wis h to increase their knowledge of fall prevention and improve their physical fitness, regardless of current physical ability.

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## **Application Support Program**

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 25 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop on Tuesday afternoons for support in completing all types of application forms.

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#### Paint a Holiday Sign (Parent and Child Edition)

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 25 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Parents/caregivers and their children (ages 10+) will each paint a Holiday sign using a stencil created with the S ilhouette Cameo electronic cutter. The Silhouette Cameo electronic cutter lets you cut precise shapes from pap er, vinyl, fabric, and other thin materials to make cards, crafts, personalized stickers, and more. We'll provide everything you need.

A registration spot is for one (1) child and one (1) caregiver together. Caregivers are expected to work with and alongside the child they accompany.

#### **Registration opens on October 21.**

#### **Brantford Bookworms**

Date and Time: Tuesday, November 25 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 limit ed 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, November 25 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 y

our imagination run wild! Play & Hangout: Enjoy games, chat about your favourite books, or just chill with fri ends. Collaborate & Connect: Team up with others and share ideas in a cool, relaxed setting. No matter what yo u love to do, there's something for everyone. Ages 9 - 12.

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# Wednesday, November 26, 2025

## Storytime at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 26 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

In this weekly storytime hosted every Wednesday, preschoolers will develop a love for reading by learning easy r hymes, repeating phrases, exploring story props, and strengthening comprehension, together! Books from our c ollection will be carefully selected to help bring the learning home. This is a drop-in program. Ages 18 months to 4 years.

### **Alzheimer Society Social Café**

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 26 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. Plea se 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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### **Youth Volunteer Group**

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 26 5:30 pm - 6:45 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.

#### **Holiday Photos**

Date and Time: Wednesday, November 26 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Bring your family and friends to the Main Branch for a FREE holiday photo taken by photographer Celine Garn

eau!

All ages.

# Thursday, November 27, 2025

### Service Canada Outreach Specialist

Date and Time: Thursday, November 27 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 Ca nada programs and benefits available to you. Get one-on-one access to information about Social Insurance Nu mbers (SIN), Employment Insurance (EI), Canada Pension Plan (CPP), Canada Pension Disability Plan (CPP-D), Old Age Security (OAS) and Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) and Passport Canada programs.

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### **Crafty Kids Storytime**

Date and Time: Thursday, November 27 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 h

ome. Ages 0 - 6.

## Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, November 27 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

x, with their caregivers.

#### Service Canada: Benefits and Credits for Individuals with Modest Income

Date and Time: Thursday, November 27 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Learn about the benefits and credits available to individuals with a modest income.

Presented by a Service Canada and Canada Revenue Agency representative.

#### A Place to Be

Date and Time: Thursday, November 27 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.

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## Painted Tea Towels: Adult Craft Night

Date and Time: Thursday, November 27 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Brighten up your kitchen with a hand-painted tea towel! Bring your creativity and we will supply the rest.

Registration opens on October 15.

### **Reading Club (Grades 7 - 8)**

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## **Community Connections**

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### **Dungeons & Dragons Campaigns**

Date and Time: Saturday, November 29 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 ag es 10 - 16. Registration mandatory, spaces are limited. Email aflaherty@brantfordlibrary.ca to register.

# **OBotz: Robotics and Coding for Little Innovators**

Date and Time: Saturday, November 29 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

OBotz is a hands-on robotics and STEAM education program designed to inspire curious minds through the exciting world of technology, engineering, an d coding.

OBotz blends learning with fun, offering an engaging environment where kids can explore robotics, develop problem-solving skills, and gain confidence in their creativity.

# Sunday, November 30, 2025

### **Bell City Strum Club**

Date and Time: Sunday, November 30 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Bell City Strum Club is a free community group for adults interested in playing ukulele and singing as a group. Beginners are welcome; no previous experience with the ukulele is required. At each gathering we'll take the time to teach chords and strumming techniques, moving forward at a pace that allows everyone to feel confident. Members of the Bell City Strummers will be available to assist.

The BCSC meets twice a month for 90 minutes. Registration is not required, but new members should email R obin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca to introduce themselves and for a brief orientation. A limited number of u kuleles and music stands are available to borrow.

#### About Catherine and Genevieve:

Catherine Gorecki and Genevieve Rochette have played and taught together for ten years. They teach lessons for students of all ages, including school ukulele ensembles at Ecole Dufferin and St. George German School. In 2 023, they travelled to Banos, Ecuador, to teach ESL through ukulele instruction, and in 2025, they co-chaired t he first annual Brantford Ukulele Festival to sold-out crowds. Learn about the <u>Brantford Ukulele Society</u> on the eir website.

https://calendar.brantfordlibrary.ca