

Sunday, January 1, 2023

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Holiday Programs

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Book a Librarian

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Saturday, January 7, 2023

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Chess Club

Date and Time: Saturday, January 7 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Members of the Brantford Chess Club offer basic instruction and tips on how to improve your game during this drop-in event. Held on the following Saturdays: January 7, January 21, February 4, February 18, March 4, March 18, April 1, April 15, April 29, May 13, May 27, June 10, June 24

Sunday, January 8, 2023

Bell City Strummers: A Community Ukulele Group

Date and Time: Sunday, January 8 02:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

Monday, January 9, 2023

Baby & Me Storytime

Date and Time: Monday, January 9 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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Join us every Monday for in-person rhymes, sensory development activities, motor skill methods, stories, and socializing among babies and caregivers. Books from our collection will be carefully selected with a particular theme in mind and available for borrowing.

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Building Bridges Youth Group

Date and Time: Monday, January 9 06:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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Ages 14 - 29 welcome.

Come out and have your community voice heard!

Expectant and New Mothers Network: Infant Massage

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Registration begins December 12.

Lifescapes

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 10 02:30 p.m.

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What are your stories? Are you ready to tell them?

We meet biweekly from fall until spring for instruction and peer support, then publish an annual anthology of short memoirs every summer. For more information and to register, contact Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca.

Featured topics and resources will be updated on the [Lifescapes page](#).

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Wednesday, January 11, 2023

Storytime at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 11 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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.

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Tech Time @ St. Paul

Date and Time: Thursday, January 12 02:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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.

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Grand River Book Club

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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.

Upcoming titles:

November 10 – [A Man Called Ove](#), by Fredrik Backman

December 8 – [Born on a Blue Day: A Memoir of Asperger's and An Extraordinary Mind](#), by Daniel Tammet

January 12 – [Firewall](#), by Henning Mankell

February 9 – [The Measure of a Man](#), by Sidney Portier

March 9 – [The Hound of the Baskervilles](#), by Arthur Conan Doyle

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Yoga in the Library

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Saturday, January 14, 2023

Stay and Make Club

Date and Time: Saturday, January 14 09:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

On the second Saturday of each month, come in for the Stay and Make Club at the Main Branch! Supplies will be available to complete a unique hands-on activity.

Kits available: December 10, January 14, February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13, and June 10.

Disclaimer: Activities are appropriate for ages 6 and up; younger ages are welcome with an adult's help. Activities will be offered on a first-come-first-serve basis while supplies last.

D & D Campaign

Date and Time: Saturday, January 14 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Registration for this program is currently full. To join the waitlist, email Zile at zozols@brantfordlibrary.ca or call 519.756.2220 x 3314

Dungeons & Dragons is back at Brantford Public Library! Registration is required. This group is for ages 10-16. No experience required.

D&D is a fantasy tabletop role-playing game which lets players create their own character, use their imagination, interact with other characters, and make decisions to overcome challenges. An experienced Dungeon Master (DM) will guide you through the game, serve as referee and storyteller, and keep you engaged in a linked series of adventures (commonly referred to as a "campaign").

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Monday, January 16, 2023

Essential Oil Beaded Bracelet (Craft for Adults) - Prerecorded Follow Along Video

Date and Time: Monday, January 16 12:15 a.m.

Address: Online

Learn how to make a stylish beaded bracelet that incorporates calming essential oils.

Check out the [Home Based Activities page](#) for a link to the video. More recommendation videos are available on the Brantford Public Library [YouTube Channel](#).

Take & Make Kits will be available on this date at both Main Branch on January 16 and the St. Paul Branch on January 17., while supplies last.

World Winter Celebrations (PA Day)

Date and Time: Monday, January 16 10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Drop in to learn about different celebrations from around the world and create fun crafts.

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Juice Box Book Talks Podcast

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 18 09:30 a.m.

Address: Online

Parents and kids will love this monthly podcast covering books for kids grades 1-8. Hosted by Liana and Laura of the Brantford Public Library, each podcast will be accompanied by a list of links to the books/eBooks/Audiobooks in our catalogue. This means you can download it straight to your phone or place a hold on it to pick up at our Main or St. Paul Branch right away. Check out all episodes on the Library's website. New podcasts monthly.

brantfordlibrary.ca/juicebox

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St. Paul Crafters Circle

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Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

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

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Upcoming titles:

September – [The Orphan Collector](#) by Ellen Marie Wiseman

October – [Deacon King Kong](#) by James McBride

November – [An Unsuitable Job for A Woman](#) by P.D. James

December – [The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry](#) by Rachel Joyce

January – [Five Little Indians](#) by Michelle Good

February – [Little Mercies](#) by Heather Gudenkauf

March – [The Rosie Project](#) by Graeme C. Simsion

April – [Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine](#) by Gail Honeyman

May – [Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace, One School at a Time](#) by Greg Mortenson

June – [If This is Your Land, Where Are Your Stories? Finding Common Ground](#) by J. Edward Chamberlin

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Saturday, January 21, 2023

Chess Club

Date and Time: Saturday, January 21 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Members of the Brantford Chess Club offer basic instruction and tips on how to improve your game during this drop-in event. Held on the following Saturdays: January 7, January 21, February 4, February 18, March 4, March 18, April 1, April 15, April 29, May 13, May 27, June 10, June 24

Book a Librarian

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Sunday, January 22, 2023

Bell City Strummers: A Community Ukulele Group

Date and Time: Sunday, January 22 02:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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

Monday, January 23, 2023

Tech Time

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Baby & Me Storytime

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

Writers' Support Circle

Date and Time: Monday, January 23 05:30 p.m.

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.

Click "Register Online" to register at any time. After registering, you will receive updates and details about attending.

Or contact Robin at rharding@brantford.library.on.ca for information about this program! All questions welcome.

Registration begins August 15.

English Conversation Circles

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Tuesday, January 24, 2023

Expectant and New Mothers Network: Infant Massage

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Getting Ready for Kindergarten

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Another session will run from April 25 to June 13, 2023. You must register separately for the second session.

Registration begins December 12.

Lifescapes

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 24 02:30 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

What are your stories? Are you ready to tell them?

We meet biweekly from fall until spring for instruction and peer support, then publish an annual anthology of short memoirs every summer. For more information and to register, contact Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca.

Featured topics and resources will be updated on the [Lifescapes page](#).

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Kids Night Out (Main)

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Drop-in at Main on Tuesday nights for hands-on activities and explore challenges with science, technology, engineering, art and math. We invite you to challenge your brain critically and creatively!

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

Storytime at St. Paul

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 25 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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.

Book a Librarian - CANCELLED

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 25 05:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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Thursday, January 26, 2023

Crafty Kids Storytime (Ages 2-5)

Date and Time: Thursday, January 26 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Preschoolers and their caregivers can join us for a storytime and fun crafting activity.

Come Play! - EarlyON

Date and Time: Thursday, January 26 01:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Come play with us as we learn and explore through art, music, physical movement and sensory play to build imagination, language, social relationships, growth and development.

All babies and children from birth to age six and their parents/caregivers are welcome to join us at the Main Branch for a free play and inquiry-based program.

Fun activities will include messy art, storytelling, and a group song circle. We might get messy and we might get loud, but we will always have fun!

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

A Place to Be presented by Belonging Brant

Date and Time: Thursday, January 26 02:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Connect with us every Thursday. Learn about more Belonging Brant groups and initiatives through belongingbrant@gmail.com / 519-758-5394 ext 204 and belongingbrant.com

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Yoga in the Library

Date and Time: Friday, January 27 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Wind down the week with a session of yoga at the Main Library!

Drop in to join Catherine Labrecque-Rowntree in exploring that day's choice of gentle yoga and/or chair yoga.

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D & D Campaign

Date and Time: Saturday, January 28 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Registration for this program is currently full. To join the waitlist, email Zile at zozols@brantfordlibrary.ca or call 519.756.2220 x 3314

Dungeons & Dragons is back at Brantford Public Library! Registration is required. This group is for ages 10-16. No experience required.

D&D is a fantasy tabletop role-playing game which lets players create their own character, use their imagination, interact with other characters, and make decisions to overcome challenges. An experienced Dungeon Master (DM) will guide you through the game, serve as referee and storyteller, and keep you engaged in a linked series of adventures (commonly referred to as a "campaign").

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Email lsflclub@gmail.com for more information. Registration is required.

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Students in Grades 7 and 8, will meet once a week to read a novel and participate in comprehension activities. Students will be matched into a small group based on reading level.

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

Upcoming titles:

November – [February](#), by Lisa Moore

December – no meeting in December

January – [The Cutting Season](#)

February – TBD

March – TBD

April – TBD

May – TBD

Introduction to 3D Design and Printing (Makerspace Craft for Adults) - Live Workshop

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 31 06:30 p.m.

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Learn the basics of 3D design! We'll show you how to create a simple 3D object using free online software, and how to prepare and submit your design to be printed at the library. All materials supplied.

Registration required. Click the button to reserve a seat! **Registration begins December 12.**

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.

