

Thursday, January 2, 2020

I.D. Clinics

Date and Time: Thursday, January 2 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Do you need help getting government I.D.?

Drop in to free ID Clinics at the Main Branch on the first and last Thursday of every month. Sessions run from 9 a.m. to noon at the Main Branch of the Brantford Public Library.

These clinics will help people get ID like birth certificates (all provinces), Ontario health cards, Ontario photo I D card and Social Insurance Numbers.

No appointment necessary, first come first served.

This program is provided through a partnership with: Brantford Public Library, Brant County Health Unit, Community Legal Clinic and Grand River Community Health Care.

Holiday Discovery Zone

Date and Time: Thursday, January 2 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop-in and enjoy pop-up activities on your holiday break!

Monday, December 23 - Build Zone

Friday, December 27 - Invention Zone

Monday, December 30 - Story Zone

Thursday, January 2 - Play Zone

Friday, January 3 - DIY Zone

Yummy New Year

Date and Time: Thursday, January 2 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Start off the New Year with some healthy and delicious snack choices. We'll have lots of yummy food for all to enjoy as well as some easy recipes that you can try at home.

Knitting Circles - St. Paul Branch

Date and Time: Thursday, January 2 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Drop-in to the St. Paul Branch for company, conversation, and advice from other knitters.

Check the calendar for other knitting events at the Main Branch.

Friday, January 3, 2020

Holiday Discovery Zone

Date and Time: Friday, January 3 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

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Monday, December 23 - Build Zone

Friday, December 27 - Invention Zone

Monday, December 30 - Story Zone

Thursday, January 2 - Play Zone

Friday, January 3 - DIY Zone

Movement Storytime

Date and Time: Friday, January 3 10:30 am - 11:15 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Sing, dance, and jump along in this storytime perfect for active children. We'll explore great stories, songs and some creative movements that are fun for all!

Saturday, January 4, 2020

Book Buddies Registration Day

Date and Time: Saturday, January 4 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Struggling readers, Grades 2 to 6, will be paired with a university student volunteer from the Laurier Students for Literacy Club. A regular weekly meeting time will be assigned for this one-on-one session. Parents may register more than one child to be paired with a buddy. Program runs from January 27 to April 2, except from February 17 to 21 (University Reading Week) and March 16 to 2 (March Break.)

E-mail LSFLclub@gmail.com for more information.

Registered. Note: There will be an in-person registration limit of 10 children per day to allow for equal opportunity to sign up. A wait list will be available once all spots have been filled.

Monday, January 6, 2020

STAR Storytime

Date and Time: Monday, January 6 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Your child is a STAR! Join us for a fun, interactive storytime based on the Every Child Ready to Read® early literacy program, where we incorporate the elements of Singing, Talking and Reading into our fun activities.

Tech Time

Date and Time: Monday, January 6 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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Need help getting started with digital services offered by the Library or with your device in general? Bring your gadget - tablet, e-reader, cell phone, laptop -- for help!

Writer's Support Circle

Date and Time: Monday, January 6 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Sit down with the Brantford Writers' Circle, a small group of authors who meet as equals in a friendly exchange of ideas about each other's work. Registered. Contact Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca for more information and to register.

Youth Advisory Group Meetings

Date and Time: Monday, January 6 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Earn volunteer hours helping to develop our youth programs and services. These meetings will have pizza and games! Contact Anna at aflaherty@brantfordlibrary.ca for info.

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

EarlyOn Family Drop-In

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 7 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Parents/caregivers and their children can learn about healthy pregnancy, breast feeding, healthy child development, attachment, school preparation, and more. In partnership with EarlyON Family and Child Centre. For ages 0 to 5.

Kids STEAM Club

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 7 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Kids STEAM Club welcomes kids 6+ who are interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math to explore different tech toys and activities. Kids will have a chance to create, build, solve and play in this fun, hands-on and interactive program. You can't spell STEAM without TEAM so bring a friend and work together to solve problems and complete challenges!

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Dementia: A Meet and Greet

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 8 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Do you have questions about Dementia? Do you want to learn about resources in your community? Visit with Laurie Ball from the Alzheimer Society for an informal hour of education. Drop in to discuss your concerns and find resources to help you in your journey.

EarlyON Drop-In for Grandparents and Grandchildren

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 8 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Grandparents and grandchildren, let's play, sing, and have fun while learning and making friends! In partnership with Brant Family and Children's Services.

Frauds and Scams

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 8 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Though people of all ages can be victims of fraud, it is the number one crime against older Canadians. Find out about the latest frauds and scams and how you can protect yourself from them. Featuring Detective Constable Ryan Groen, Brantford Police Department.

Cardboard Creations

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 8 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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Youth Cafe

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 8 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

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Thursday, January 9, 2020

Little Movers

Date and Time: Thursday, January 9 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Little Movers Stretch, sing, dance, and jump along in this storytime perfect for active young children. We'll explore great stories, songs and some creative movements that are fun for all!

Stay & Play EarlyON Family Drop-In

Date and Time: Thursday, January 9 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Come play and learn through activities that foster children's expression and readiness to learn and promotes a strong foundation for lifelong learning. In partnership with Brant Family and Children's Services.

Tech Time @ St. Paul

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Little Picassos

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Friday, January 10, 2020

Sandbox Science

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

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us for our interactive STEM storytime for preschoolers. Enjoy stories, songs, fingerplays and a hands-on activity.

D&D Startup

Date and Time: Friday, January 10 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Interested in playing D&D? Local D&D experts will show you the ropes!

Saturday, January 11, 2020

Starting Seeds Indoor, featuring Denzil Sawyer

Date and Time: Saturday, January 11 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

This series will cover various aspects of gardening that you can engage in to help you become more food secure . Topics will cover starting seeds indoors for spring planting, aquaponics, the Brant Food Forest and Equal Ground Community Gardens and the Little Free Seed Libraries.

Upcoming topics:

January 11 - Starting Seeds Indoor, featuring Denzil Sawyer

February 1 - Aquaponics and Koi, featuring Murray Rollins

March 21 - Brant Food Forest, featuring Rachel Sawczuk

April 4 - Equal Ground Community Gardens, featuring Gloria Ord

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Saturday Movies

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Restorative Meditation

Date and Time: Monday, January 13 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Relieve stress and tension! Enjoy guided mantra meditations led by representatives from Lotus Meditation.

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

EarlyOn Family Drop-In

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 14 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Parents/caregivers and their children can learn about healthy pregnancy, breast feeding, healthy child development, attachment, school preparation, and more. In partnership with EarlyON Family and Child Centre. For ages 0 to 5.

Lifescapes

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 14 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

What are your stories? We meet biweekly for writing guidance and support before publishing an annual anthology of short memoirs. Registered. Contact rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca for information about joining.

Introduction to 3D Design and Printing

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 14 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Learn the basics of 3D printing. Participants will learn how to design a simple object and find designs online. Registered.

Kids STEAM Club

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Wednesday, January 15, 2020

BYOC Craft Zone

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 15 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Bring Your Own Craft materials and work alongside other craft enthusiasts! We'll provide space for you to have fun with friends, family, or taking time to work a little creativity into your own day.

Hands On History - Baking Up a Storm (of History)

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 15 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

During the cold, damp weather this month, nothing is nicer than the thought of a warm oven radiating delicious smells of baked goods. Includes a brief history of baking, as well as artifacts and photographs related to local bakeries.

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Address: 173 Colborne St Brantford Ontario

This certificate program is mandatory for anyone who wants to create 3D printing jobs that take longer than 1 hour to complete on the Library's 3D printers.

Course is open to anyone 13+ and no experience is required.

Cardboard Creations

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Youth Cafe

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CANCELLED How to Tell Stories: Tips, Techniques & Telling Tales

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 15 6:00 pm - 7:00 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. These supportive and interactive workshops are led by the Brant Story Time Entertainers. Registration required.

Youth Opportunities

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 15 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Drop-in to our monthly Youth Volunteer Info Session to learn more about volunteer opportunities at BPL.

Thursday, January 16, 2020

Little Movers

Date and Time: Thursday, January 16 10:30 am - 11:00 am

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Stay & Play EarlyON Family Drop-In

Date and Time: Thursday, January 16 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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Knitting Circles - St. Paul Branch

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Little Picassos

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Friday, January 17, 2020

Sandbox Science

Date and Time: Friday, January 17 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

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St. Paul Reader's Circle

Date and Time: Friday, January 17 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Contact rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca for more information and to register. Registered.

Upcoming titles:

January 17 - Birth House, by Ami McKay

February 21 - The Gown, by Jennifer Robson

March 20 - Born on a Blue Day, by Daniel Tammet

D&D Startup

Date and Time: Friday, January 17 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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Saturday, January 18, 2020

3D Certification Program

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Course is open to anyone 13+ and no experience is required.

Tween Club

Date and Time: Saturday, January 18 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us on Saturdays for fun tech, craft, and food related activities!

January 18 - Vision Boards 2020

February 29 - Candy Sushi

March 28 - Sharpie Post-it Note Art

April 25 - Maker Madness!

Saturday Movies

Date and Time: Saturday, January 18 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Bring a nut-free snack and your most comfy pillow and enjoy a family friendly movie on our big screen at the Main Branch.

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Monday, January 20, 2020

Minute to Win It

Date and Time: Monday, January 20 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Beat the clock with your family this PA Day, and join us for our own Minute to Win it games! Challenge yourself to Do the Iron Man, Face the Cookie, Defy Gravity and many more! It's a morning guaranteed to make you laugh and create silly memories!

CANCELLED EarlyON Pop-Ups

Date and Time: Monday, January 20 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us during the BrantFACS EarlyON Pop-Up for a chance to engage and connect with others in the community while developing a sense of belonging. You and your little one will have an opportunity to participate in play based learning that is fun and engaging while also being connected to a registered Early Childhood Educator.

Tech Time

Date and Time: Monday, January 20 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

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CANCELLED Movie Party

Date and Time: Monday, January 20 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Snuggle up with family, hang out with friends and try some fun activities while you enjoy a newly released movie!

Youth Advisory Group Meetings

Date and Time: Monday, January 20 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

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Tuesday, January 21, 2020

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Introducing PressReader

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 21 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

PressReader lets you read thousands of magazines and newspapers from all over the world! We'll show you how you can download the app, sign up for PressReader and enjoy an incredible variety of publications on your tablet or computer. Registered.

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Virtual Reality Certification Program

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Address: 173 Colborne Street

Learn how to use virtual reality at the Library!

This brief introduction course is for people ages 16+.

Once you complete the course, you will be able to use the Library's Oculus Go headset.

Up to six people can attend one session, so bring some family and friends!

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Wilfrid Laurier Film & Discussion: Whispered... Fiercely... Seven Stories

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 22 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Join us for a gentle but provocative story of seven lives caught in the nets of systemic violence and repression. Created by Duncan Finnigan and Dr. Helen Ramirez, in partnership with Wilfrid Laurier University.

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A Place to Be - Adult Drop-In

Date and Time: Thursday, January 23 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

A weekly adult drop-in program designed to link people to community resources and provide a helping hand. There will be coffee, snacks, conversation, creativity and relaxation. This program is supported by Brantford community members.

Online Learning with LinkedIn's Lynda.com

Date and Time: Thursday, January 23 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Learn how to access the world's leading online learning platform for free with your Library card. Get help registering for an account and find tutorials that meet your personal and professional goals. There's content for anyone wanting to learn about business, software, technology, and creativity. In partnership with Contact North. Registered.

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Bell City Author Series - Alicia Elliott

Date and Time: Thursday, January 23 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Alicia Elliott is a Tuscarora writer living in Brantford. Her best-selling first book, *A Mind Spread Out On The Ground*, was released this March to critical acclaim. She has also written many award-winning essays and her short fiction has been selected for many influential short story anthologies.

Purchase tickets to this event on eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/bell-city-author-series-tickets-67245133003>

Friday, January 24, 2020

D&D Startup

Date and Time: Friday, January 24 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

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Saturday, January 25, 2020

Saturday Movies

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Sunday, January 26, 2020

Brantford Ukulele for Fun: A Monthly Meet-Up

Date and Time: Sunday, January 26 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Bring your ukulele and join the Brantford Ukulele For Fun group! Perfect for ukulele enthusiasts of all skill levels. (Basic instruction and a limited number of library instruments will be available.) Created in partnership with Musical Motion and Brantford Parks & Recreation.

Family Literacy Day

Date and Time: Sunday, January 26 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Author Jo Ellen Bogart and illustrator Barbara Reid will visit the Main Branch for Family Literacy Day to read from their book Gifts. Visit [www.facebook.com/ familyliteracycommittee/](https://www.facebook.com/familyliteracycommittee/) for more family-friendly events.

Monday, January 27, 2020

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Homework Help Drop-In

Date and Time: Monday, January 27 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

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Elementary school students, Grades 2 to 8, can drop-in for homework help with a university student volunteer from the Laurier Students for Literacy Club. Please e-mail LSFLclub@gmail.com for more information. Runs from January 27 to April 2, except during program breaks from February 17 to 21 for University Reading Week and March 16 to 20 for March Break.

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Introduction to Microsoft Word

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 28 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Learn how to create, format, and save a basic document on a library computer. Registered.

Lifescapes

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 28 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

What are your stories? We meet biweekly for writing guidance and support before publishing an annual anthology of short memoirs. Registered. Contact rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca for information about joining.

Homework Help Drop-In

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Introduction to Silhouette and Wood Signs

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 28 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The Silhouette Cameo electronic cutter is a crafting and DIY dream machine! This machine lets you cut precise shapes from paper, vinyl, fabric and other thin materials to make cards, crafts, personalized stickers and more.

Part 1: Learn the basics of creating with the Cameo, including the computer program used to create designs.
Part 2: Create your own wood sign using a premade design or your creation from Part 1.

The Silhouette Cameo is available to use in the MakerSpace area at our Main Branch, which means you can keep creating and making things well after this program ends! Learn about all of the [crafting items](#) you can use through the Library.

Kids STEAM Club

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 28 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Kids STEAM Club welcomes kids 6+ who are interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math to explore different tech toys and activities. Kids will have a chance to create, build, solve and play in this fun, hands-on and interactive program. You can't spell STEAM without TEAM so bring a friend and work together to solve problems and complete challenges!

Pursuit of Wellness - Mental Wellness

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 28 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Discover natural, economical and convenient options for reducing stress, boosting your immune system, and finding healthy ways to feel your best! Join wellness coach and author Leanne Giavedoni for free interactive and informative workshops. Registered.

Topics and dates:

Mental Wellness

Tuesday, January 28 / 6:30 p.m. / Main Branch

Sleep Wellness

Tuesday, February 25, 6:30 p.m. / Main Branch

Detox for Body and Mind

Tuesday, March 24 / 6:30 p.m. / Main Branch

Plant Based Products for Health

Tuesday, April 28 / 6:30 p.m. / Main Branch

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

BYOC Craft Zone

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 29 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Bring Your Own Craft materials and work alongside other craft enthusiasts! We'll provide space for you to have fun with friends, family, or taking time to work a little creativity into your own day.

***Cancelled* Voices Brant: A Series for Aspiring Public Speakers**

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 29 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Program has been cancelled

Learn to speak with clarity, confidence, and the ability to convey information effectively. Featuring guidance and leadership from members of Toastmasters International. Registered. Contact Robin at rharding@brantfordlibrary.ca to register or for more information.

Healthy You

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 29 1:15 pm - 2:45 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

A free, 8-week lifestyle program that uses a non-diet approach to help you reach and maintain a healthier version of you.

The workshops run from January 15 to March 4 and cover topics like Goal setting, nutrition basics, behaviour change and emotional eating, meal planning - and more!

Workshops are led by PrimaCare dietitians. Call 519-442-9834 to register.

CANCELLED Genealogy Club

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 29 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Learn tips and tricks to researching your family tree with these themed sessions. The Genealogy Club meets every 4 weeks -- just drop in.

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Cardboard Creations

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 29 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Think out of the box to create something unique with cardboard and other everyday items. Use your creative thinking and your making skills to try a new cardboard creation challenge every week!

Youth Cafe

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 29 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

This drop-in group gives young adults a safe space to hang out, have fun and learn new skills with friends. Enjoy activities and snacks. Program runs all year with our Child & Youth Worker. In partnership with Wesley.

- CANCELLED - Connection Through Comedy

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 29 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

- CANCELLED - Create mental health connections through the use of comedy! Join recreational therapist Brad Mears for an enjoyable evening of laughs and learning. Together we'll explore important issues through the lens of laughter. Ages 16+.

Thursday, January 30, 2020

I.D. Clinics

Date and Time: Thursday, January 30 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Do you need help getting government I.D.?

Drop in to free ID Clinics at the Main Branch on the first and last Thursday of every month. Sessions run from 9 a.m. to noon at the Main Branch of the Brantford Public Library.

These clinics will help people get ID like birth certificates (all provinces), Ontario health cards, Ontario photo I D card and Social Insurance Numbers.

No appointment necessary, first come first served.

This program is provided through a partnership with: Brantford Public Library, Brant County Health Unit, Community Legal Clinic and Grand River Community Health Care.

Little Movers

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Little Movers Stretch, sing, dance, and jump along in this storytime perfect for active young children. We'll explore great stories, songs and some creative movements that are fun for all!

Stay & Play EarlyON Family Drop-In

Date and Time: Thursday, January 30 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Come play and learn through activities that foster children's expression and readiness to learn and promotes a strong foundation for lifelong learning. In partnership with Brant Family and Children's Services.

A Place to Be - Adult Drop-In

Date and Time: Thursday, January 30 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

A weekly adult drop-in program designed to link people to community resources and provide a helping hand. There will be coffee, snacks, conversation, creativity and relaxation. This program is supported by Brantford community members.

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Knitting Circles - St. Paul Branch

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

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Drop-in to the St. Paul Branch for company, conversation, and advice from other knitters.

Check the calendar for other knitting events at the Main Branch.

Little Picassos

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

The creations of your imagination come to life with art! Experiment with creative making, crafting, and painting. Come dressed to get messy!

CANCELLED Main Book Club

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

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Contact arowe@brantfordlibrary.ca for more information and to register. Registered.

Upcoming Titles:

January 30 - Washington Black, by Esi Edugyan
February 27 - The Picture of Dorian Gray, by Oscar Wilde
March 26 - Little Mercies, by Heather Gudenkauf
April 30 - Little Fires Everywhere, by Celeste Ng

Friday, January 31, 2020

Sandbox Science

Date and Time: Friday, January 31 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: 441 St. Paul Avenue

Join us for our interactive STEM storytime for preschoolers. Enjoy stories, songs, fingerplays and a hands-on activity.

D&D Startup

Date and Time: Friday, January 31 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

Address: 173 Colborne Street

Interested in playing D&D? Local D&D experts will show you the ropes!

<https://calendar.brantfordlibrary.ca>