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Your Guide to Programs and Services at the Brantford Public Library

BRANTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Summer is the time for

FUN & PLAY

Summertime and the reading is easy! It's time to PLAY at your library. The TD Summer Reading Club encourages children to read all summer long...just for the fun of it. See reading for the fun it is and discover the joyful, boundless and carefree stories found in a great book. We have some great incentives to keep you reading all summer long. Beginning on June 29, children can pick up their notebook at either BPL location. It's a great way to keep track of all the great books you'll read over the summer. And when you're not reading, be sure to come to one of our many programs. Create, inspire, connect, play and grow at your library. The fun is just beginning.



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SENIORS @ BPL

Memories of Brantford, Wednesday, May 13th @ 2:30 p.m. - Main Library Auditorium

Brian Moore returns to share more guided heritage walking tours with us. In this event, Brian will present a sampling of past and upcoming tours as well as a virtual tour of our celebrated but often overlooked canal. Highlights will include a glimpse into his Murder, Mystery, and Mayhem tour.

National Senior's Month Feature: Alzheimers, Wednesday, June 10th @ 2:30 p.m. Main Library Auditorium

Please join us for an information session featuring Laurie Ball from the Alzheimers Society as well as Darla Fortune and Sian Lockwood from the Partnerships in Dementia Care Alliance. We'll learn about the services available in Brantford and also how research teams are working with long-term care home and community partners to discover and create new designs in dementia care and support.

iMovie: An Invitation!

Have you ever wanted to make a movie? This summer, one of our Seniors @BPL Committee members is going to run a short series of workshops on how to use iMovie. He hopes to have about eight or nine participants, and then he'll divide them into groups. Each group will learn how to make a movie using the iMovie software. If you would like a place in this unique and rewarding project, email [Robin at rharding@brantford.library.on.ca](mailto:Robin@brantford.library.on.ca) or give her a call at 519-756-2220 Ext. 356 for more information.

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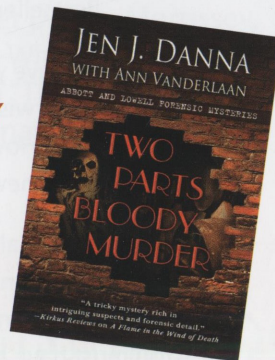
MAY IS MYSTERY MONTH AT BPL

ENTERTAINING CRIME: TELLING FICTION FROM FACT
SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2:00 P.M. - MAIN LIBRARY

What do you do when folks from both sides of the crime divide - that is, those who fight crime and those who tell crime-based stories - get together? Why, debate the line between reality and entertainment, of course. Featuring Catherine Astolfo as panel moderator.

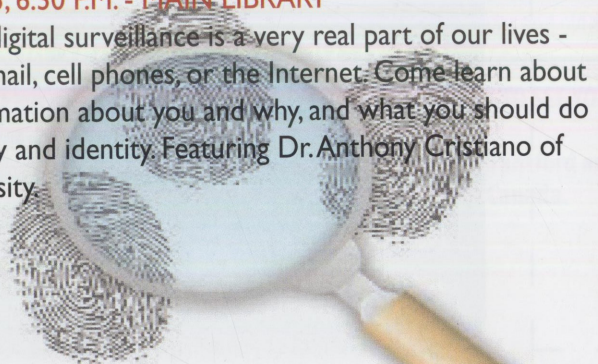
WHEN CRIME SCENES TELL A STORY
WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 6:30 P.M. - MAIN LIBRARY

Join Jen J. Danna (author of the Abbott and Lowell forensic mysteries) for an insightful, hands-on session exploring the science of forensic anthropology.



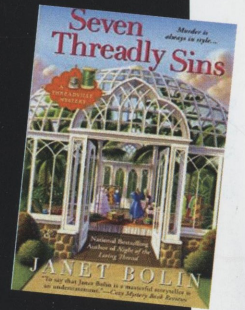
SOMEBODY'S WATCHING YOU: EVERYDAY DIGITAL TECH AND SURVEILLANCE PRACTICES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 6:30 P.M. - MAIN LIBRARY

Current and evolving digital surveillance is a very real part of our lives - especially if you use email, cell phones, or the Internet. Come learn about who is gathering information about you and why, and what you should do to protect your privacy and identity. Featuring Dr. Anthony Cristiano of Wilfrid Laurier University.



THURSDAY, MAY 21, 6:30 P.M.

Join mystery author Janet Bolin as she celebrates the fifth title in her successful Threadville series. Learn about Willow Vanderling's latest misadventure and make your very own collection folio to take home - perfect for anyone who likes to sew, embroider, or scrapbook. Featuring guest Joy Dingman.



WOMEN AND CRIME
SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2:00 P.M.
MAIN LIBRARY

Women crime writers are making their mark on the publishing world! Come meet representatives from the groundbreaking Sisters in Crime and Mesdames of Mayhem writing syndicates for a frank discussion on crime and the women who write about it.

CSI: BRANTFORD
THURSDAY, MAY 28, 6:30 P.M.
MAIN LIBRARY

Detective David Bauer from the Brantford Police Department will be here to lead a hands-on introduction to investigatory forensics, with an emphasis on fingerprinting.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS !

Beginning on September 8, 2015 our hours at the Main Library will be changing. From Monday to Thursday we will be closing at 8:00 p.m. rather than at 9:00 p.m. A full listing of all library hours will be included in the September to December 2015 issue of *Cover to Cover*.

Hours
of Operation



BOOK CLUBS @BPL

NEW! Book Club Advisory

Are you having trouble deciding what to read next for your book club, or just looking for inspiration? Book a presentation for your group with a Readers Advisory Specialist. We'll prepare special recommendations for you at a convenient time and location. Contact Anna at arowe@brantford.library.on.ca for more information.

Main Book Club

Thursday, May 28, 6:30 p.m. - We will be discussing *The 100 Year Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared* by Jonas Jonasson.

St. Paul Reader's Circle

Here are the titles we will be discussing in May and June:

Friday, May 15, 2:00 p.m. - *Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal?* by Jeanette Winterston

Friday, June 19, 2:00 p.m. - *And The Mountains Echoed* by Khaled Hosseini

Wellness Within Book Discussion Group

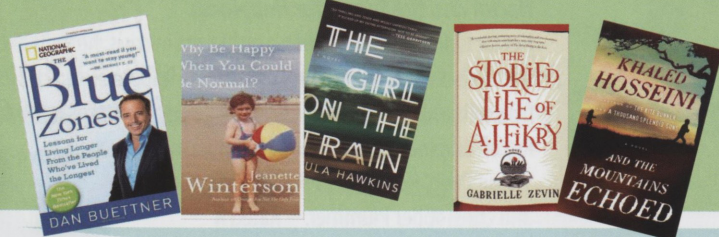
Monday, May 25, 7:00 p.m. - We will be discussing *The Blue Zones* by Dan Buettner.

Online Book Club

Let's talk books ... ONLINE!

Check out Brantford Public Library's online book club, hosted through Goodreads.com. This is a book club that gives you the flexibility to join in the discussion when it is convenient for you. We will be reading *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins for our April/May book. The book for June/July will be *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry* by Gabrielle Zevin.

Logging in is fast and easy. Instructions can be found on our website. Click on the adult tab found on the home page and then click on Book Clubs. Contact Anna at arowe@brantford.library.on.ca for information or help signing in.



MEET AWARD WINNING AUTHOR DONNA MORRISSEY

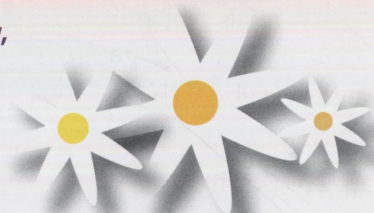
Tuesday, May 12 - 7:00 p.m. - Main Library

Come and meet Donna Morrissey, the author of five best-selling novels and a Gemini Award-Winning screenplay, *Clothesline Patch*. Donna will host a reading from her novel "The Deception of Livvy Higgs." For more information about Donna, visit www.donnamorrissey.com

ENGLISH CONVERSATION CAFÉ

Practice your spoken English in a relaxed social setting. Newcomers to Canada, 19 years and older, who want to improve their English and make new friends are welcome. Call 519-752-4568, ext. 46 for more information. The Café will run on Tuesday evenings beginning at 6:30 p.m until June 23, 2015 and will resume on September 8, 2015. **JUST DROP IN AND PRACTICE YOUR ENGLISH - WE'D LOVE TO SEE YOU.**

A partnership with Immigrant Settlement Services - YMCA of Brantford and Brantford Public Library, through the generous support of Citizenship and Immigration Canada.



Summer Hours & Locations June 22 - Sept 5, 2015

Main Library

173 Colborne Street
Brantford, ON N3T 2G8
519-756-2220



Monday & Tuesday	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday to Friday	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday*	CLOSED

*Sunday hours resume on October 18, 2015

St. Paul Avenue Branch Library

441 St. Paul Avenue
Brantford, ON N3R 4N8
519-753-2179



Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday & Thursday	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Friday & Saturday	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	CLOSED

CLOSED ALL STATUTORY HOLIDAYS

THE BOOK DROP is always open

Can't get to the library to return materials? Don't worry, the book drop is always open. All borrowed material may be returned via the book drop **except** iPads. We have book drops at both library locations: one at the St. Paul Avenue Branch (441 St. Paul Avenue) and two at the Main Library: front (173 Colborne Street) and back (Wharfe Street).

Your Brantford Public Library card is free if you are a resident of the City of Brantford or if you pay household or business taxes to the City of Brantford. All you need to get a card is identification with your name and current address. Once we have that, we'll issue your card and provide you with a PIN (personal identification number). A PIN is needed to view your account, place holds, renew materials online and use Internet computers.

When you sign your library card you agree to return all items borrowed, pay for overdue materials, and pay replacement and processing costs for lost or damaged materials. If you lose your card there is a small replacement fee.

With your card you have access to over 233,000 items.

Welcome to Your Library!

HAVE YOU GOT A QUESTION? Text us at 519-805-3055 OR click on the green "ASK A QUESTION" tab on our homepage. We look forward to hearing from you.

Here's what you can borrow:

- Unlimited number of books
- 12 magazines
- 12 compact discs
- 12 DVDs – DVDs if not requested are renewable
- 2 DVD Express
- 12 books on CD, Playaways, MP3 and CD-ROMs
- 12 console video games - not renewable
- 5 Freegal (music) downloads per week and 3 hours of streaming music per day
- Unlimited number of Bestsellers - not renewable
- iPad - one per card
- 25 Overdrive downloadable e-audiobooks and e-books

Here's how long you can borrow it:

- For most material, 21 days
- DVDs and video games, 7 days (no renewal on video games)
- DVD Express, 3 days with no holds or renewals
- Bestsellers and iPads, 7 days with no holds or renewals

You must have your library card to check out and renew materials. Unless otherwise specified, most materials may be renewed once, if not in demand. However, if an item has been requested by someone else, it cannot be renewed.

Library material can be renewed at the Library at any Public Access Computer, from the Library's website at brantford.library.on.ca, or by using our Automated Telephone Renewal Service at 519-756-2399. You must have a PIN (Personal Identification Number) to do your own renewals.

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CREATE, INSPIRE, CONNECT, PLAY AND GROW @ BPL THIS SUMMER

CREATE IN MAY AND JUNE

KIDS NIGHT OUT (AGES 8-12)

Every Tuesday from May 5 to June 16
6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Main Library – Just Drop In!

Join us for an evening of creativity. Come and tinker with our electronic circuit boards, check out LittleBits or get creative with the Magformers construction set. We have Lego, we have crafts, we have ENTHUSIASM. Make new friends, explore and create.

GET YOUR GEEK ON (AGES 8-12)

Every Thursday from April 2 to May 21
3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Main Library – Just Drop In!

Join us as we explore the wonderful world of science and technology through activities and experiments.

CHESS CLUB (AGES 8+ ADULTS TOO!)

Saturday, May 23 - 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Main Library – Just Drop In!

Have you ever wanted to learn chess? Here's an opportunity to learn the game, or to practice the skills that you already have. A member of the Brantford Chess Club will offer basic instruction and tips on how to improve your game.

PLAY ON PA DAY

MAKER KIDS (AGES 6-12)

Friday, June 5 - 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Main Library – Just Drop In!

Discover your inner artist and scientist as you explore what you can create with the library's vast collection of electronic gadgets and maker activities. What will you create?



PA DAY MOVIE (EVERYONE WELCOME!)

Friday, June 5 - 2:30 p.m.

Main Library Auditorium – Just Drop In!

TO BE ANNOUNCED.

GROW STRONG BODIES WITH FITNESS

The fun-loving staff from the Ladies Fitness Centre are sharing their love of movement with us. Keep both your mind and body fit this summer. Come and play in our auditorium.

YOGA FOR KIDS (ages 5-8) - July 7

10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

ZUMBA FOR KIDS (ages 9-12) - July 8

10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

YOGA FOR KIDS (ages 9-12) - August 25

10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

ZUMBA FOR KIDS (ages 5-8) - August 26

10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

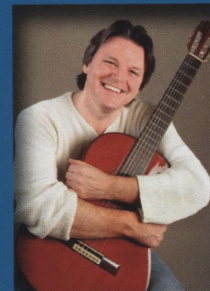
SPECIAL EVENTS

Bert's Glow-tacular Dance Party - June 27, 2:00 p.m. - Main Library

The library is GLOWING! Bumbling Bert has really done it this time. Everything looks glow-in-the-dark... even YOU! He's got zany lighting and tons of stomping, clapping, twirling fun for all! This party glows in a big way! With all the best kid-appropriate music and great movement activities to keep feet of all sizes moving! EVERYONE IS WELCOME - no tickets required.

Music by Jake - July 25, 2:00 p.m. - Main Library

Award-winning musician Jake Differ's live performances have become popular favourites at festivals and events across Canada. His lyrics make children laugh or dream, and his rhythms make little feet dance. Join Jake and sing along with his delightful melodies. All of Jake's shows are highly interactive and fun! Come and join us. EVERYONE IS WELCOME - no tickets required.



CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

ST. PAUL AVENUE BRANCH: Sometime this spring we'll be changing the layout of the parking lot at the St. Paul Avenue Branch. We will keep you up-to-date as the project unfolds and let you know what the timelines are.

MAIN LIBRARY: Throughout the spring and summer, work will continue on Colborne Street as the Laurier Brantford/YMCA project continues. From time-to-time we anticipate road closures or lane reductions, so be sure to check the following for construction updates:

- BPL Website: brantford.library.on.ca
- Twitter: @BtfdLibrary
- Facebook: Brantford Public Library
- In Library: Displays & TV screens



PROGRAMS FOR KIDS

MAY TO AUGUST STORY TIMES

Just Drop In!

PROGRAM	AGES	DETAILS	DATE	TIME	PLACE
Shake, Rattle and Read	0 - 3 years	This weekly 45 minute program consists of rhymes, songs, bounces, stories and activities for you and your little ones. It's also a great way to meet other moms!	Wednesdays May 6 – August 26	1:30 p.m.	Main Library
			Thursdays May 7 - June 25	10:30 a.m.	St. Paul
Books & Play	2 - 5 years	This 45 minute drop-in session is divided into three sections of: storytime, playtime, and craft time. Come try our new approach on traditional storytime!	Mondays May 11 - June 22	10:30 a.m.	Main Library
			No program May 18		
Family Fun	2 - 5 years	Families, friends and children will enjoy this lively 30 minute program combining puppets, rhymes, songs and fun!	Thursdays May 7 – August 27	10:30 a.m.	Main Library
Pyjama Time	2 - 5 years	Almost ready for bed? Want to encourage your sleepy time imagination? Join us for a weekly family pyjama storytime. Pyjamas are encouraged and teddy bears are welcome!	Wednesdays May 6 – June 17	6:30 p.m.	St. Paul
Backyard Tales	2 - 5 years	Join us for family storytime outside (weather permitting).	Wednesdays July 8 - August 26	10:30 a.m.	St. Paul
Twist & Shout	2 - 5 years	Shake it up, shake it out! Come and join us for this 30 minute energetic program that includes music, movement and stories to enjoy!	Wednesdays May 6 - June 24	10:30 a.m.	St. Paul



Brantford Public Library is a proud partner of BEST START BRANTFORD-BRANT

Breastfeeding Clinic: A public health nurse from the Brant County Health Unit is available for advanced one-to-one breastfeeding consultation, health teaching and support. No appointment is required.
Monday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Main Library, Community Room

Family Drop In: A public health nurse will be available to meet with pregnant women and parents of children 0-6 years. Services are FREE and non-judgmental. This is a social time to meet with other families in your community. In partnership with Brant County Health Unit.
Thursday mornings from 11:15 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Main Library
3rd Floor Auditorium



Best Start Family Drop In: Come play at the library. This Friday drop-in program is special together time for you and your kids (ages 0-6). Enjoy stories, interactive play, crafts and fun! In partnership with the Family Counselling Centre of Brant. Just drop in.
Friday afternoons from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Main Library Program Room.

Parachute Program: Do you have a young baby? Are you feeling challenged or overwhelmed with becoming a parent? This free drop in program will provide parenting tips, music time with your baby and a support system. There is a free taxi available and lunch is provided. In partnership with Kids Can Fly. Call Jane for more information 519-755-9482.
Mondays from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Main Library
3rd Floor Auditorium

GET OUT OF THE HEAT, AND STEP INTO SOME FUN!



LET'S GO TO THE MOVIES!

MONDAY "FUN" MOVIES - CHILDREN'S PROGRAM ROOM

- July 6 **Paddington, Rated G, 95 mins.**
- July 13 **Lego Movie, Rated G, 100 mins.**
- July 20 **Wreck-it Ralph, Rated PG, 108 mins.**
- July 27 **Big Hero 6, Rated PG, 102 mins.**
- Aug 3 **HOLIDAY**
- Aug 10 **Cloudy with a chance of meatballs 2, Rated G, 95 mins.**
- Aug 17 **Willy Wonka, Rated G, 105 mins.**
- Aug 24 **Toy Story, Rated G, 81 mins.**

FRIDAY "NEW RELEASE" FAMILY FILMS MAIN LIBRARY AUDITORIUM

- July 3 **Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb, Rated PG, 98 mins.**
- July 10 **Annie, Rated PG, 118 mins.**
- July 17 **Penguins of Madagascar: Flipping Awesome movie, Rated G, 92 mins.**
- July 24 **Alexander and the Horrible, No good, very bad day, Rated PG, 81 mins.**
- July 31 **SpongeBob: Sponge out of water, Rated G, 93 mins.**
- August 7 **TBA**
- August 14 **TBA**
- August 21 **TBA**
- August 28 **TBA**

Join us in our relaxing air-conditioned space for some great movies. Movies start at 2:30 p.m.

WHERE: Main Library Community Room
WHEN: Saturday, May 30 and June 6
TIME: 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
COST: \$35 for YMCA members, \$45 for non-members

The YMCA will be offering a Baby Sitting Course at the Main Library. Join the YMCA staff for this 2-day course full of advice, guides, tips and information based on real-life experiences from kids and experts. Participants will have the opportunity to develop skills to help them deal with children of all ages, handle difficult situations like temper tantrums, organize fun activities and learn basic First Aid. (For ages 11-14.) Registration is required and spots are limited. Call 519-756-2220 to reserve your spot.



Baby Sitting Course

SUMMER HELP FOR STRUGGLING READERS AND MATHEMATICIANS... AND WE MAKE IT FUN!

READ ON (June 29 to August 21) What can you do to help your child boost reading and math skills and have fun during their summer vacation? For 26 years our Read On program has provided one-on-one tutoring for struggling students in grades 2-6. Registration starts Saturday, June 6 at the Main Library. The registration package will be available at both library locations and online beginning May 4, 2015.

ESL READ ON CLUB Fridays, July 3 to August 14 (no club on July 24) 1:00-2:00 p.m.

A fun program for newcomer children who need extra help with their English during the summer. The ESL Read On Club is full of fun with literacy games and activities that will help kids with their conversational English, reading and writing. No registration required. Just drop in!

CHECK ONLINE FOR
REGULAR PROGRAM
UPDATES AT
BRANTFORD.LIBRARY.ON.CA



PROGRAMS FOR KIDS - JUNE/JULY

GET YOUR GAME ON

Saturdays, July 4 to 25, 2:00 p.m - 4:00 p.m.
Are you tired of your own games? Join us at the Main Library each Saturday for some of our games; Giant Snakes and Ladders, Chess, Lego, Guess Who and more! DROP IN

ST. PAUL CRAFT CORNER

Fridays, July 3 to 24, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Bring your child to the St. Paul Avenue Branch every Friday for them to make and take a different fun craft each week. Open to all ages. DROP IN

PADDINGTON'S BIRTHDAY PARTY (ages 2-5)

June 29, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library
It's Paddington's Birthday! Join us as we celebrate with stories, games and a craft. DROP IN

MARSHMALLOW ENGINEERING (ages 9-12)

June 30, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
Kids use marshmallows and toothpicks to build structures. Bonus they get to deconstruct their project and eat it too! DROP IN

CHARACTER QUILTS (ages 6-8)

July 2, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
Help us decorate the library! Draw a portrait or illustration of your favourite book character on a square of paper. Then help arrange the completed squares into a wall hanging for the library and see your artwork on display. DROP IN

PETE THE CAT (ages 2-5)

July 6, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library
Join us as we celebrate the beloved, grumpy blue cat named Pete! Books, crafts, songs and games will be shared. As Pete would say "It's all good!" DROP IN

DESIGN YOUR OWN SUPERHERO (ages 6-8)

July 7, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
Each child gets to design and draw a superhero with randomly selected powers! Superhero fun and activities to follow. DROP IN

COSMOS PLAY AMONG THE STARS (ages 9-12)

July 9, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
Take a trip to another galaxy. Learn about the constellations and make your own constellation guide book. DROP IN

PLAY DAY (ages 6-12)

July 9, 2:30 p.m. - St. Paul Branch
Join us for some summer backyard games and activities. Prepare to get messy and to have fun!! Rain date July 16. DROP IN

SEUSS-A-PALOOZA (ages 2-5)

July 13, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library
Come dressed as your favourite Dr. Seuss character because "From there to here, and here to there, funny things are everywhere." We'll do all things Seuss: stories, songs, games and a craft.

SENSATIONAL SALTY CHEMISTRY (ages 9-12)

July 14, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
Explore how salt crystals react with water and create a work of art to hang on your wall.

GROWING GREEN (ages 6-8)

July 16, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
Get your green thumb on! Learn all about keeping a garden and what a plant needs to grow. Then plant a seed for your vegetable or flower garden in a pot you decorate yourself.

THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLER (ages 2-5)

July 20, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library
Come explore the wonderful world of The Very Hungry Caterpillar with us! We'll read stories, learn rhymes and songs and make your own caterpillar craft to take home.

AHOY MATEYS! (ages 6-8)

July 21, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
Yo, Ho, Ho! A Pirate Party for Me! Pirate stories, learn to talk "Pirate", songs, games and a craft.

DETECTIVE CLASS (ages 9-12)

July 23, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
In this program you will learn about what makes your fingerprints unique. You will learn how to collect and identify fingerprints and use your fingerprints to make art.

MONSTER MANIA (ages 2-5)

July 27, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library
Come and have a monster of a good time. Join us as we read stories, sing songs and make your own paper bag monster to take home.

iPAD SCAVENGER HUNT (ages 9-12)

July 28, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
Join us for the first ever BPL iPad scavenger hunt. Can you and your team find all the items and pictures on your list first?

COLOUR SCIENCE (ages 6-8)

July 30, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
Using the story of White Rabbit's Color Book by Alan Baker, children can learn about food dye and water, colours and then mix dyes to create a picture on coffee filters.

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PRINTMAKING: HAND-MADE FUN

(ages 6-8) August 4, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library

In this program, kids will learn the art of printmaking. Bring along your creativity skills and make your own work of art. DROP IN

JUNIOR SCIENTIST (ages 9-12)

August 6, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library

Experiment with household items to make goo, slime, silly putty and more! DROP IN

BEACH PARTY (ages 2-5)

August 10, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library

Join us for a Beach Party! We will have stories, games and a beach themed craft. Be sure to bring your beach towel! DROP IN

WORDPLAY (ages 9-12)

August 11, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library

Come and join in the fun as we discover new ways to play with words. DROP IN

PLAY DAY (ages 6-12)

August 13, 2:30 p.m. - St. Paul Branch

Join us for some summer backyard games and activities. Prepare to get messy and to have fun!! Rain date is August 20. DROP IN

SQUISHY CIRCUITS (ages 6-8)

August 13, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library

Using conductive dough plus other materials, kids will discover what does and what does not conduct electricity. DROP IN

FROZEN: LET IT GO (ages 2-5)

August 17, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library

Visit with our friends Anna, Elsa and Olaf in stories, songs and a craft. Feel free to come dressed as your favourite Frozen character. DROP IN

YAD SDRAWKCAB -- BACKWARDS DAY!

(ages 6-8) August 18, 2:30 p.m.

Main Library

We are going to celebrate the silliness in being a little backward. Wear your shirt backwards and walk backwards as you enter the program room. Stories, songs, games and a movie will fill this backward day. DROP IN

MARBLE RUN MAZE (ages 9-12)

August 20, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library

Design and build your own marble run using cardboard recyclables, then watch those marbles fly! Experiment with speed, gravity, angles and your imagination. DROP IN

BROWN BEAR, BROWN BEAR (ages 2-5)

August 24, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library

Come explore the wonderful story of Brown Bear, Brown Bear with us! We'll read stories, sing songs and make a bear craft to take home. DROP IN

BUTTON DESIGN (ages 9-12)

August 25, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library

Buttons, Buttons, Buttons. Celebrate your inner artist by designing an art portrait, animal or object with buttons! DROP IN

AIR SHOW (ages 6-8)

August 27, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library

Make some cool paper airplanes and participate in our first ever air show @ the library. DROP IN



SOCK PUPPET THEATRE Wednesday, July 22, 29 & August 5, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (ages 9-12) REGISTRATION REQUIRED

This three session program engages kids to create their own sock puppets and use iMovie, in our Digital Lab, to develop and film a short production. Kids must be able to attend all three weeks. Space for 15 kids. Registration starts July 6.



BPL SUMMER SCAVENGER HUNT Begins on June 29

Each week we will have a different list of things for you to find in the library. The more weeks you play the more chances you have to win a prize. Pick up an entry form each week starting June 29 at either library location and get started hunting!

STORYTIME @ THE BOOK NOOK Tuesdays, June 30 to August 25, 10:30 a.m.

Two fun programs at the same place! After your swim at the Wayne Gretzky Sports Centre, join us at the Book Nook in the Main Lobby for story time. It's the perfect way to start a summer day.

COOL STUFF 4 TEENS

PROGRAM	AGES	DETAILS	DATE	PLACE	TIME
Magnetic Photo Props	11 to 18	We're making magnetic mustaches, hats, tiaras and speech bubbles to decorate your favourite pictures. A great way to keep them in place in your locker. Come and bring your imagination. DROP IN	July 14	Main Library Auditorium	2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
DIY Henna		Henna tattoo artist Fareena Singh will be visiting Brantford Public Library to demonstrate the lovely art of Mehndi. Participants are invited to choose a Mehndi henna tattoo design from Fareena's examples or create their own. DROP IN	July 20	Main Library Program Room	2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Build a Portable Speaker		Use a singing greeting card and ear-buds to create a customized speaker for your phone or music player. REGISTRATION REQUIRED	August 6	Main Library Auditorium	2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Paper Towns Book Chat		Join us for a chat about John Green's book, and recently released film, Paper Towns. Meet other teens who love books and enjoy some snacks. DROP IN	August 18	Main Library Auditorium	2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
T-Shirt Makeover		Join us as we make over t-shirts to create styles you'll love to wear. DROP IN	August 27	Main Library Program Room	2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

TO REGISTER FOR ANY PROGRAM CALL 519-756-2220 - Registration begins July 6, 2015.

TEEN SUMMER READING CLUB

JUNE 29 - AUGUST 31

Our annual Teen Summer Reading Club is back! Read any book, graphic novel or magazine and fill out a ballot. Bring your first ballot to the Info desk to register and receive a prize. After that, fill out a paper ballot or submit a ballot electronically on the teen section of our web page for each item you read. You'll have a chance to win one of the great monthly prize baskets on display at the Main Library. The more ballots you submit, the more chances you'll have to win, so keep reading all summer long!



Join us for the Build a Portable Speaker program on August 6. How cool is this!

DROP IN YOUTH CAFÉ



WHERE: Brantford Public Library - Main Library - 173 Colborne Street

WHEN: Wednesday evenings - 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. until June 17

Tuesday evenings - 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. June 23 to September 1

- snacks
- talk about issues affecting you
- meet our Child & Youth Worker
- dynamic guest presenters
- arts & crafts
- movie nights and more
- you decide!



ADULT PROGRAMS

TO REGISTER CALL 519-756-2220 Registration begins May 1, 2015.

EVERGREEN AWARD

The Evergreen Award is part of the Ontario Library Association's Forest of Reading® program. It gives adult library patrons the opportunity to vote for their favourite work of Canadian fiction or nonfiction.

This year's nominated titles are:

- *Between Gods: A Memoir* by Alison Pick
- *Forgiveness: A Gift From My Grandparents* by Mark Sakamoto
- *Juliet Was A Surprise* by Bill Gaston
- *Little Bastards In Springtime* by Katja Rudolph
- *The Lobster Kings* by Alexi Zentner
- *Medicine Walk* by Richard Wagamese
- *Somewhere In France: A Novel Of The Great War* by Jennifer Robson
- *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel
- *This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs. the Climate* by Naomi Klein
- *Who By Fire* by Fred Stenson



For every title you read you may fill out a ballot for a chance to win a prize basket. (Ballots are available at the library or on our website.) The end of voting will be announced with the winner of the Evergreen Award in the fall of 2015.

ADULT SUMMER READING - June 29 to August 31

You're planning to relax and enjoy some good books this summer, right? Excellent. Now, we want you to get the most out of your reading experience, so we have the Adult Summer Reading program just for you. It's free, easy, and open to all BPL cardholders 19 years of age or older. Simply submit brief reviews of the books you read either at the library or on our website before August 31st – and remember, the more you read and review, the more chances you have to win prizes!

BASIC COMPUTER COURSES

BPL offers a variety of introductory computer technology courses. Courses run for two weeks unless otherwise notes. Only 9 spaces available per course. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL COURSES. Registration begins on Friday, May 1. Courses are held in the third floor Computer Lab at the Main Library.

Mousing & Keyboarding (1 SESSION ONLY)

Tuesday, May 12 - 2:00 p.m.

Practice using a computer mouse and keyboard with fun activities. A great introduction for absolute beginners.

Introduction to Word Processing - Tuesday, May 19 & 26 - 2:00 p.m.

Learn how to create, format, spell check, save, and print a Word document. Basic computer skills required.

Introduction to the Internet - Tuesday, June 2 & 9 - 2:00 p.m.

Learn how to search the Internet, access web sites and print information in this hands-on session. Basic computer skills required.

Drop-In Email Program (1 SESSION ONLY) - Tuesday, June 16 - 2:00 p.m.

Are you new to email? Drop in and learn the basics of Gmail and Hotmail.

Intermediate Word Processing - Tuesday, June 23 & 30 - 2:00 p.m.

Increase your word processing skills by learning how to change page layout, create lists, insert tables, and add clip art. REQUIRED: basic computer skills and experience using Word.

Twitter 101 (1 SESSION ONLY) - Tuesday, July 7 - 2:00 p.m.

Don't know a tweet from a hashtag? Find out more about Twitter, how to tweet, post pictures and videos on this popular social media service.

Introduction to Power Point - Tuesday, July 14 & 21 - 2:00 p.m.

Learn to create basic PowerPoint presentations. Basic computer skills required.

Introduction to Pinterest (1 SESSION ONLY)

Tuesday, July 28 - 2:00 p.m.

Create a Pinterest account and learn how to organize and share online images.

Introduction to Excel - Tuesday, August 4 & 11 - 2:00 p.m.

Learn how to create basic Excel spreadsheets and workbooks. Basic computer skills required.

Drop-In Facebook Program (1 SESSION ONLY) - Tuesday, August 18 - 2:00 p.m.

Drop in and learn how to set up your own Facebook account, find friends, upload photos, and choose privacy settings. Participants must have a current, active email account.

CRAZY from the heat? Enjoy cool activities @ your library

ATTEND A PROGRAM...

STRESS RELIEF THROUGH RESTORATIVE MEDITATION

Saturday afternoons, 1:00 p.m. - Third Floor Auditorium

May 2, June 6, July 4, August 1

Join us once a month for a guided meditation session and tension relieving stretches. Please note the shift to an earlier time for the season. Featuring Paul Azevedo. No registration is required, just drop in.

RELAXATION PROGRAM

Saturday, May 9, 2:00 p.m. - Main Library Community Room

For adults who are interested in developing meaningful therapeutic relaxation techniques. Come out and give it a try. Bring a mat or blanket for your comfort. Recreation Therapist Brad Mears will lead the session. No registration is required, just drop in.



JOIN A CLUB...

BPL GENEALOGY CLUB

Wednesday afternoons, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. - Third Floor Auditorium

May 27, June 24, July 22, August 19

Are you interested in tracing your family tree? Not sure where to start, or perhaps you've hit a dead end in your research? The BPL Genealogy Club meets every fourth Wednesday from 1:30 to 2:30 pm in the third floor auditorium. No registration is required, just drop in.

ST. PAUL'S KNITTERS CIRCLE

Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

May 7, 21 and June 4, 18

Join us for company, conversation, tea and advice from other knitters. No registration is required, just drop in. Remember to bring your knitting projects.

LET'S KNIT - MAIN LIBRARY

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

May 6, 13, 20, 27 and June 3, 10, 17

Do you like to knit? Knitters of all levels are invited to join us for great company, advice, and to learn a few new techniques courtesy of guest expert, Nadia Bechtold. Come and enjoy the company, conversation, tea and advice from other knitters. No registration is required, just drop in. Remember to bring your knitting projects.

CHECK OUT A GREAT FILM...



BPL FILM NIGHT

Thursday, May 14, 7:00 p.m.

Third Floor Auditorium

Hector and the Search for Happiness

Hector is an eccentric London psychiatrist in crisis: he feels like his life is going nowhere and his patients are not getting happier. One day Hector breaks out of his sheltered and comfortable life to go on a global quest to discover the meaning of happiness. A star studded cast including: Simon Pegg, Rosamund Pike, Stellan Skarsgard, and Christopher Plummer. — Rated R



GET SOME HELP WITH YOUR NEW GADGET...

DROP IN TECH TIME

Mondays, 2:00-3:30 p.m. - Main Library

Grab your latest gadget: MP3 player, tablet, e-reader, cell phone, laptop...whatever gizmo you have, and we'll help you get started. We can help you take that first step towards being an expert by helping you get that e-book or audio book downloaded.



Vacation Tips from the BPL Staff

Planning a summer vacation? We can help. Ask our Circulation staff about our 6 week vacation loan. Bestsellers & new releases with pending holds cannot be extended. You can also avoid fines by downloading e-books to your iPad, e-reader or tablet. The books will check back in on the due date. What about the sand and surf? No problem. Discards are always available for sale on our discard carts, perfect to take to the cottage or beach.

Have you placed a book on hold and you're worried it might come in while you're away. No worries. We can suspend your holds so you remain on the list and it won't expire. Now you can sit back, relax and enjoy the summer...don't forget the sunscreen!