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BRANTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Your Guide to Programs and Services at the Brantford Public Library

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Come to the Brantford Public Library this summer and LOL. It's all here @your library - bizarre books, silly stories, goofy games and foolish fables. A world full of fun for the light-hearted. Join us for all kinds of stories, programs, special performances and more. Enjoy a laugh this summer. Read books to be eligible for fantastic prizes! June 27 to August 30, 2008.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION BEGINS ON TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2008

Thanks to our Summer Reading Program Sponsors:

- TD Canada Trust
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Laugh Out Loud All Summer Long

Ready, Set, Laugh! @your library™

Summer Reading June 27th— August 30th (all ages)

Join the TD Summer Reading Club and pick up your reading logbook at either Brantford Public Library location. Keep track of all the great books you read and visit us at the library to collect excellent prizes. Read whatever makes you happy. Not sure what to read next? We will help you find books that are just perfect for you!

Read On

What can you do to help your child boost their reading skills *and* have fun during their summer vacation? The *Read On* Program is designed to help struggling readers improve their reading skills. *Read On* gives each student one-on-one practice in reading, language exercises and creative writing. To be eligible, kids must be enrolled in grades 3-6 (as of September 2008). Kids can register for one two-week session (45 minutes a day). This summer, *Read On* will be offered at the Main Library and the St. Paul Avenue Branch. Interested? Drop by the Information Desk at the Main

Library to pick up a registration package. Registration begins Saturday, June 14th.



New! Read On Club

This year, we have a new club for kids who find reading a challenge (grades 1-3). It's full of games, fun, literacy activities and time for one-on-one reading. No registration required. Just drop-in!

Main Library - Tuesdays, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. (July 8th to August 26th)
St. Paul Avenue Branch— Saturdays, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. (July 5th to August 23rd)

New! ESL Read On Club

A fun new program for newcomer children who need extra help with their English. 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!

Main Library - Saturdays, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. (July 5th to August 23rd)

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Welcome to the premier issue of Brantford Public Library's newsletter *Cover to Cover*. A quarterly newsletter to let you know about new programs, new services, important dates, system news and much more. The genesis of this newsletter is a direct result of BPL's growth...our collections, our services, our programs, even our Main Library facility, have expanded to meet the needs of our entire community. From the early years to the golden years, we've got something for everyone.

Early learning is vitally important and it's something your library has embraced for over 120 years. Public libraries are a preschooler's door to learning. Our staff continues to build terrific collections and

produce engaging, free, fun-filled storytimes that develop children's

reading skills day in and day out. This premier issue of *Cover to Cover* highlights your library's role as a community hub promoting the fundamental skill of literacy.

Partnerships with our school boards, post secondary institutions and the Early Years community have produced innovative initiatives that have seen the Main Library become a Best Start satellite site and a centre to deliver homework help after school.

We have so much going on we've created this newsletter to keep you up-to-date. Book launches; summer programs for children, teens and adults; magicians; move marathons; contests and, of course, books – lots of books. Stay tuned for future newsletters that will highlight the other services we offer to the whole community. It's all here and it belongs to you! Come and grow with us.

Geoff Wilson, Chair,
Brantford Public Library Board

Rose Vespa, CEO,
Brantford Public Library



Storytimes

PROGRAM	AGES	DETAILS	DATE	TIME	PLACE
LOL Puppet Show	all ages	Join us and our puppet friends for a puppet show that is sure to make you laugh. Just drop-in.	Monday, July 7, Friday, August 1	10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Main Library Auditorium
Silly Stories Storytime	2 - 5 yr	Families, friends and children will enjoy these silly storytimes with funny themes from farms to food. Share rhymes, stories, songs and fun. Just drop in!	Thursdays from July 10 until August 28.	10:30 a.m.	Main Library Auditorium
Tent Tales	2 - 5 yr	Join us for a weekly family storytime outside (weather permitting) Registration is required, families are welcome to register for one storytime or multiple sessions.	Wednesdays from July 9 until August 27.	10:30 a.m.	Reading tent at the St. Paul Avenue Branch
Family Pyjama Storytime	2 - 5 yr	Almost ready for bed? Want to encourage your sleepy time imagination? Join us for a weekly family pyjama storytime Pyjamas are encouraged, teddy bears are welcome and fun is a must! No registration is required, just drop in for some before bed fun.	Mondays from July 7 until August 18	7:00 p.m.	Main Library
Busy Babies	6 - 17 months	It's never too early to start the reading habit! Join us in a fun-filled program for little ones and their caregivers. Each 20 minute session will include rhymes, stories, songs and hugs. Just drop-in	Tuesdays in July (8, 15, 22 and 29)	10:30 a.m.	Main Library
Tales for Tots	1½ - 2½ yr	Tots and their caregivers will enjoy this 20 minute action packed program filled with rhymes, stories and songs. Just drop in.	Tuesdays in August (5, 12, 19 and 26)	10:30 a.m.	Main Library

JUST FOR KIDS

I ♥ my library Bookmark Contest

Design a bookmark that shows why you love the library and enter to win great prizes. Contest deadline is August 22nd. Pick up an entry form at the library or online at: www.brantford.library.on.ca

WHAT'S HAPPENING FOR ADULTS

This summer, the Brantford Public Library has something for everybody.

Adult Summer Reading is easy, free and open to all BPL card holders 19 years or older. From June 27th to August 30th, read books and submit your review/ballot at the library or online. All eligible ballots will be entered in a draw to win one of three "Book Lovers" prize packs. The more books you read, the more chances you have to win. Ballots available at the Information Desk. Draw will be made on September 2nd.

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Ontario Library Association Evergreen Award Reading Program™

Read from the list of 10 Evergreen Award nominated books and enter the monthly prize draw from May to September for your chance to win a book basket. Enter every time you read an Evergreen Award nominated book. Prize draws will be held on the last Thursday of each month. Entry forms are available at the Information Desk at either library location.

Vote for your favourite title during Ontario Public Library Week (October 19-25, 2008). The winning title will be announced in November.



- The Horseman's Graves* by Jacqueline Baker
- The Unfinished Canadian* by Andrew Cohen
- Afterlands* by Steven Heighton
- The Shock Doctrine* by Naomi Klein
- One Red Paper Clip* by Kyle MacDonald
- Fifteen Days* by Christie Blatchford
- Wind Tails* by Anne DeGrace
- The Book of Negroes* by Lawrence Hill
- Radiance* by Sheena Lambert
- The Letter Opener* by Kyo Maclear

DISCOVER A NEW AUTHOR THIS SUMMER

Tired of reading the same author? Getting bored with the same old genre? Check out these debut novels @your library:

Gardens of Water by Alan Drew
"Powerful, emotional, and beautifully written, Alan Drew's stunning first novel brings to life two unforgettable families—one Kurdish, one American—and the sacrifice and love that bind them together."

The Outcast by Sadie Jones
"As menacing as it is beautiful, *The Outcast* is a devastating portrait of small-town hypocrisy from an astonishing new voice poised for international recognition."

The Toss of a Lemon by Padma Viswanathan
"In a fiction debut to rival *The God of Small Things*, Padma Viswanathan gives us a richly detailed and intimate vision of an India we've never seen. Inspired by her family history, Padma Viswanathan brings us deep inside the private lives of a Brahmin family."

Civil and Strange by Clair Ni Aonghusa
"From a notable new voice in Irish fiction, a refreshingly mature debut that introduces us to three interconnected lives in a vibrant, modern Ireland."

Here's a great summer project—DISCOVER YOUR ROOTS.

Want to climb your family tree but don't know where to start? Visit our beautiful new Local History Room and discover your rich family history. We have many genealogical resources to help you search your family tree.

- Birth Marriage Death Index
- Sterling local history collection
- Extensive local periodical holdings
- Clipping files
- Microform equipment
- Helpful and knowledgeable staff

Check online for regular program updates
www.brantford.library.on.ca

LIFESCAPES

Lifescapes is a program of the Brantford Public Library designed to help seniors begin writing their memoirs. The group started meeting in October 2007 and met twice a month through to April 2008. The first Lifescapes anthology, *Our Recollection Collection*, was completed in May 2008. The book launches on June 23, 2008 and copies will be available in the library. Be sure to "check it out." The Lifescapes program will start up again in October 2008. Registrations are now being taken. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME.** Please call the Information Desk to register (519-756-2220).



Captain Corbin ~ The Magical Pirate presents Ocean's of Magic

Friday, July 4th—10:30 a.m.
Main Library Auditorium—all ages. The event is free but tickets are required. Pick up your tickets at the Information Desk at either library starting June 10th.

Summer Fun Programs

Registration is required for these programs (45 minutes in length). Registration for July programs begins on June 10th and registration for August programs begins on July 8th. For more information and/or registration, drop by the library or call 519-756-2220.

- **Sillyville (ages 5-8)**
Monday, July 7th, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
- **Rock it (ages 9-12)**
Thursday, July 10th, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
- **Make Your Own Puppet (ages 5-8)**
Monday, July 14th, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library
- **Joke Jar (ages 9-12)**
Monday, July 14th, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
- **Captain Underpants Party (ages 5-8)**
Monday, July 21st, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
- **Flip Book Fun (ages 9-12)**
Thursday, July 24th, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
- **Silly Sidewalk Chalk (ages 9-12)**
Thursday, July 24th, 2:30 p.m. - St. Paul Avenue Branch
- **Just Clowning Around (ages 5-8)**
Monday, July 28th, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
- **Fractured Fairytales (ages 5-8)**
Thursday, August 7, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
- **Funny Farm (ages 3-5)**
Monday, August 11th, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library
- **Get Ready for Kindergarten (ages 3-5)**
Monday, August 18th, 10:30 a.m. - Main Library
- **Puppets with Pizzazz (ages 9-12)**
Monday, August 18th, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library
- **Oh! Those Silly Animals (ages 5-8)**
Thursday, August 21st, 2:30 p.m. - Main Library



Crafternoons (ages 3-6)

Drop in each week and try out a fun new craft. Something silly or clever, every week is a surprise. Free while supplies last. Just drop-in.

St. Paul Avenue Branch - Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m.
Main Library - Saturdays at 2:30 p.m.

LOL Library Bingo (ages 6-12)

A traditional favourite with a silly twist!
Registration required.
Fridays at 10:30 a.m. - Main Library
(July 11th to August 29th).

Games Galore (ages 6-12)

Join us for an afternoon of fun & games. Try our giant snakes & ladders, board games and more! Just drop in.
Main Library - Wednesdays, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
(July 2nd to August 13th)
St. Paul Avenue Branch — Thursday, July 17th & Thursday, August 14th, 2:30– 3:30 p.m.

Friday Funny Film Festival (all ages)

Come with your favourite pillow and a snack and join us to watch a free movie on our big screen in the Main Library Auditorium. Movies start at 2:30 p.m. most Fridays this summer. Please refrain from bringing snacks with peanuts. No registration required, just drop-in!

- July 4th-*Alvin and the Chipmunks* (Rated PG, 91 min)
- July 11th-*The Water Horse* (Rated PG, 112 min)
- July 25th-*Spiderwick Chronicles* (Rated PG, 101 min)
- August 1st-*Undercover Dora* (Rated G, 98 min)
- August 8th-*Doctor Doolittle: Tail to the Chief* (Rated PG, 90 min)
- August 15th-*Bratz Kidz: Fairy Tales* (Rated G, 74 min)
- August 22nd-*Toy Story* (Rated G, 81 min)
- August 29th-*Jungle Book 2* (Rated G, 72 min)

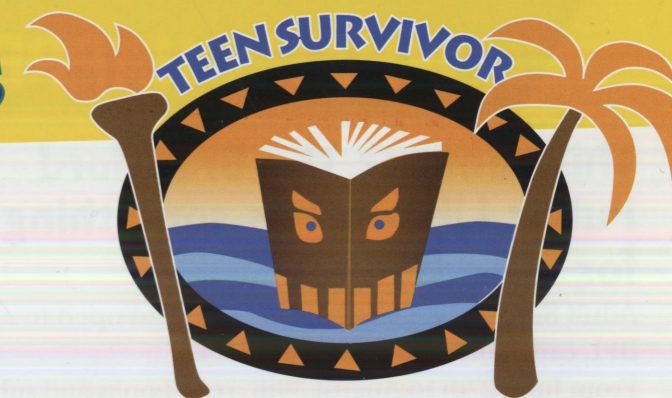
Jack About the Beanstalk Big Kid Entertainment

Wednesday, August 20th—2:30 p.m.
Main Library Auditorium—all ages
This interactive event is free but tickets are required. Pick up your tickets at the Information Desk at either library starting July 8th.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR
DON'T MISS THIS!

COOL STUFF 4 TEENS



Help choose which great teen novel will be this summer's sole survivor! Read from our list of 10 books, then visit the teen page of our website to vote your least favourite ones off the "island". Submit reviews for a chance to win an MP3 player! Start reading anytime; voting & reviewing starts June 27th.

www.brantford.library.on.ca/teens

2008 Titles

- New Moon* by Stephanie Meyer
- The Trap* by John Smelcer
- The Invention of Hugo Cabret* by Brian Selznick
- Slam* by Nick Hornby
- City of Bones* by Cassandra Clare
- Impulse* by Ellen Hopkins
- Rash* by Pete Hautman
- Chain Mail* by Hiroshi Ishizakil
- The Raintree Rebellion* by Janet McNaughton
- Maximum Ride: The Angel Experiment* by James Patterson

Teen Summer Reading TSR@BPL

Getting involved in Teen Summer Reading at BPL is as easy as 1-2-3:

1. Read a book, graphic novel or magazine – whatever you want.
2. Pick up a ballot at either library or fill in our online form and tell us what you thought about what you read.
3. Put your ballot in one of the TSR ballot boxes or submit it online and be entered into weekly draws for awesome prize baskets full of books, clothes & accessories, gift certificates & more!

The more you read, the better your chances to win!

Due to high demand, some summer programs require registration. REGISTRATION WILL BEGIN ON JUNE 10.

TONS OF PROGRAMS

All programs are at the Main Library. Registration starts June 10. Please visit www.brantford.library.on.ca/teens for more information

JULY

- 1st—23rd **YouTube Contest** - Make a YouTube video on the theme of "My Library: The Musical" for a chance to win great prizes. See details on BPL website.
- 3rd 2:30-4:00 p.m. - **Hemp Jewelry** - Come learn how to make awesome hemp and bead necklaces, bracelets and more!
- 8th 2:30-4:00 p.m. - **Gaming Day** - Come out and have fun with our PSP (now with Rock Band!) and our brand new Wii.
- 18th 10:00 a.m.-whenever - **Indiana Jones Movie Marathon** - Come see where it all began. Enjoy the original trilogy with lots of free food!
- 21st-26th All week - **Info Scavenger Hunt** - Pick up a sheet and find the answers to some bizarre questions for your chance to win a great prize!
- 30th 2:00-4:00 p.m. - **Henna Tattoos** - Get your own free temporary henna tattoo from our talented volunteers or try your hand at doing your own.

AUGUST

- 5th 2:30-4:00 p.m. **Duct Tape Wallets** - Come make some awesome accessories with duct tape.
- 7th 2:00-4:00 p.m. - **Anime Movie Day** - You pick the movie! Vote for what you want to see on the teen poll on our website, then come watch the winner.
- 11th-16th All week - **Teen Fanfic Contest** - Take your favourite characters from any book/game/movie/tv show and write your own story with them. Prizes to be won!
- 18th 2:30-4:00 p.m. **LOlympics** - Come out for an afternoon of crazy contests and challenges. Discover some hidden talents, and have a laugh.
- 21st 2:30-4:00 p.m. - **DIY Spa** - Learn how to make your own custom lip gloss, bath salts and more.
- 27th 2:30-4:00 p.m. - **Gaming Day** - Come out and have fun with our PSP (now with Rock Band!) and our brand new Wii.

Summer Hours and Locations

Main Library

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

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

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	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
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 bookdrop is *always* open. All borrowed material may be returned via the book drop. 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).

Check us out ONLINE

To renew your books, check your account, browse book titles in the collection, access great databases, and much more!

www.brantford.library.on.ca

WELCOME TO YOUR LIBRARY!

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 two pieces of 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 230,000 items. Here's what you can borrow:

- Unlimited number of books
- 12 magazines
- 2 encyclopaedia volumes
- 12 compact discs
- 6 DVDs. DVDs are not renewable
- 12 books on cassette and/or books on CD, MP3 and CD-ROMs
- Unlimited number of Bestsellers
- 5 Overdrive downloadable e-audiobooks

Here's how long you can borrow it:

- For most material, 21 days
- DVDs, 7 days with no renewal
- Bestsellers, 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 www.brantford.library.on.ca, or by using our Automated Telephone Renewal Services at 519-756-2399. You must have a PIN (Personal Identification Number) to do your own renewals.