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ONE BOOK, ONE NIAGARA

Tues. Apr. 23

We are thrilled to announce that One Book, One Niagara is back! Now in its sophomore year, One Book, One Niagara will continue to build community throughout Niagara through a shared reading experience. This year's selected title is **In the Upper Country** by Kai Thomas.

The experience culminates in an in-person author event with Kai Thomas on the evening of Tues. Apr. 23, 2024.

Tickets are free and will be available soon.



ADULT PAINTING WITH KYLA: THE TULIP FIELDS

Thurs. Mar. 21, 2024

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

In this acrylic painting workshop, paint a majestic landscape that showcases the soft, soothing colours of spring! Blending and shading techniques will be explored. Learn how to create perspective and depth in a few simple steps. All supplies are included. Space is limited. Pre-register at the Library. Cost is \$15.



ART IN THE ATRIUM

March: Port Colborne High School

We're excited to welcome artists from PCHS! Support these talented teens by visiting their show. Don't forget to sign the guestbook!



April: Douglas Todd

A full-time archaeologist and former reporter-photographer, Douglas spends his time fishing, caregiving, cooking, and painting Canadian places, spaces, and people. Support Douglas' work by visiting his exhibit in April.

INCOME TAX CLINICS

Do you have a simple tax situation and a modest income? You may be eligible for help with filing your taxes. You must call to register. Registration opens **Thurs. Feb. 29 at 9:30 a.m.** Spaces are limited.

ONE eREAD CANADA

Un livre/One eRead Canada brings people and libraries together to read or listen to a single title in both English and French. This year's selection is *Hotline* by Dimitri Nasarallah. Check out a digital copy from Libby or Hoopla during April to participate.

TOP HAT CEREMONY

Fri. Mar. 22

Every March, when the canal reopens after the winter shutdown, the captain of the first downbound ship is presented with a ceremonial top hat, modelled after an iconic top hat from the Port Colborne Historical and Marine Museum. The type of hat was worn by ship captains a century ago when the canal was in its early days. Meet us at the event where we'll be popping up with commemorative buttons. For more information about the 2024 Top Hat Ceremony, please visit the City of Port Colborne website: www.portcolborne.ca

HOLIDAY HOURS

Friday, March 29, 2024
(Closed for Good Friday)

Monday, April 1, 2024
(Closed for Easter Monday)



Celebrate International Women's Day with us by checking out a book from our #InspireInclusion display.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

STORY TIME WITH SHELLY

Saturdays, Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, Apr. 6, 13, 20 & 27, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Meet us in the Children's Room for a fun, free, family story time. All ages. Drop-in. Free.

BABY TIME

Tuesdays, Mar. 5, 12, 19 & 26, Apr. 2 & 9, 10:15 – 10:45 a.m. Meet new friends, sing songs, and enjoy stories with your little one. For ages 0 to 2. Pre-register. Free.

TOT TIME

Thursdays, Mar. 7, 14 & 21, Apr. 4 & 11, 10:15 – 11 a.m. Enjoy stories, crafts, and a circle-time. For ages 2 to 5 with a parent, grandparent, or caregiver. Pre-register. Free.

BOOKMARK CONTEST

Submit a bookmark design for a chance to be our featured artist for the month. Available in the Children's Room. Free.

March Theme: Earth Day

Submissions due March 30, 2024

April Theme: Rainy Day

Submissions due April 30, 2024

Congrats to our February winner! Piper drew herself camping with her family.



SCAVENGER HUNTS

Find the scavenger hunt items and win a small prize. This program runs in the Children's Room every day with a new theme each week. Drop-in. Free.

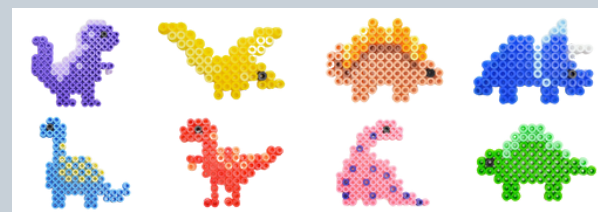
Mar 3 – 9	Breakfast Foods	Apr 7 – 13	Rainy Day
Mar 10 – 16	Green	Apr 14 – 20	Fruits
Mar 17 – 23	Tulips & Daffodils	Apr 21 – 27	Earth Day
Mar 24 – 30	Easter Eggs	Apr 28 – May 4	Dinosaurs
Mar 31 – Apr 6	Veggies		

MARCH BREAK DINOSAUR CRAFT

Wed. Mar. 13, 10 – 11 a.m.

Make your very own colourful dinosaur out of Perler beads!

For ages 8-12. Pre-register. Free.



MORE MARCH BREAK ACTIVITIES

There's something fun happening each day during March Break at the Library! Check out our March Break flyer for more March Break activities.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS IS BACK!

Tues. Mar. 12, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

For ages 13 – 17. Pre-register. Free

POP-UP LIBRARY: ECLIPSE AT VALE

Available starting Fri. Mar. 8

Pick up your free eclipse glasses at the library! You must show your PORTicipate pass or PCPL library card. While supplies last.

Mon. Apr. 8, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Join us at the Vale Center to celebrate the solar eclipse! The library will be popping up with a fun craft. Bring your ID and sign up for a library card! Visit portcolborne.ca for more details.



Celebrate National Poetry Month with us!
Check out a poetry book from our collection.

ADULT PROGRAMS

PORT COLBORNE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Introducing the Port Colborne Public Library Book Club!
Pre-register to join us and stop by the library to pick up a copy of our March book.

Mon. Mar. 11, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of **The Whisper on the Night Wind** by Adam Shoalts. Limited spaces. Pre-register. Free.

Mon. Apr. 8, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of **Our Voice of Fire** by Brandi Morin. Limited spaces. Pre-register. Free.

ADULT CHESS CLUB

Mondays, Mar. 4, 11, 18 & 25, 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Do you play chess? Would you like to learn how to play chess? Adults are invited to join us for a series of chess workshops for both beginner and experienced players. Pre-register. Free.

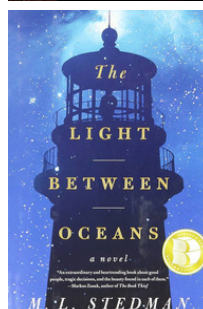
BILL'S BEST READS WITH WILLIAM THOMAS

Every month, we feature a different title hand-selected by bestselling author, scriptwriter, and nationally syndicated humour columnist, William Thomas. Place a hold on Bill's Best Read selections through library's website or by calling: 905-834-6512.



March: **A Thousand Splendid Suns**
by Khaled Hosseini

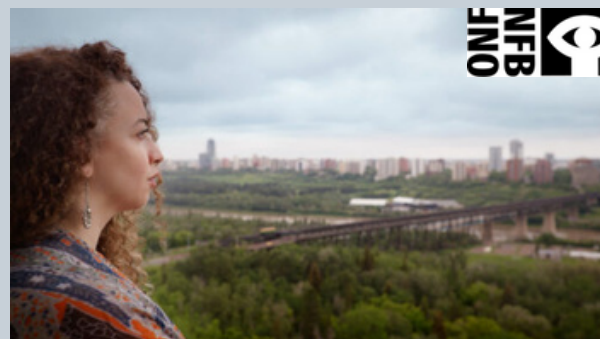
April: **The Light Between Oceans**
by M.L. Stedman



ARAB WOMEN SAY WHAT?!

Mon. Mar. 25, 1:30 – 3 p.m.

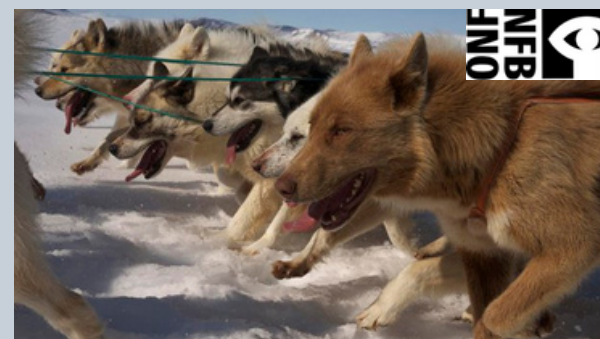
Join us for a screening and discussion of the documentary film **Arab Women Say What?! (2023, 82 min)**. The film contemplates politics, identity, and home through the conversations, hospitality, and openness of a group of Arab women. Pre-register. Free.



KATINNIQ / VANISHING POINT

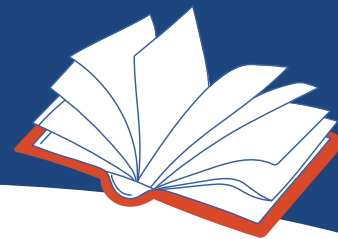
Mon. Apr. 29, 1:30 – 3 p.m.

Join us for a screening and discussion of the documentary film **Katinniq / Vanishing Point (2012, 82 min)**. The film tells the story of two circumpolar Inuit communities that are linked by a migration led by an intrepid shaman. Pre-register. Free.



SUBSCRIBE

Subscribe to our monthly newsletter by visiting our website.



Learn more about services and programs offered by local community support groups. Drop-in. Free.

COMMUNITY CONNECT

Resume Refresh with PC Works

**Tuesdays, Mar. 5, 12, 19 & 26,
Apr. 2, 9, 16 & 23, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.**

Bring in a paper or digital copy of your resume and get tips on how to improve it. Don't have a resume yet? PC Works can help get you started.



Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program

Wednesdays, Mar. 20 & Apr. 17, 10 – 11:30 a.m.

The ODSCP is a free dental care program for low-income seniors (65 and older). Stop by to learn how to enroll. For other dental assistance questions, call Valerie Wehlann from Bridges at 905-871-7621 ext. 2245

Speak with a Registered Dietician

Thurs. Apr. 11, 10 – 11:30 a.m.

Have questions about nutrition and diet? Speak with Christina, a Registered Dietician and Diabetes Educator from Bridges Community Health Centre.



Bridges Community Health Centre Programs & Services

Thurs. Mar. 28 & Fri. Apr. 26, 1 – 3 p.m.

Learn about free programs and services offered by Bridges CHC with Health Promoter Lori.

PFLAG Niagara

Sat. Apr. 6, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Wondering about pronouns? Struggling to keep track of the letters in 2S&LGBTQQIA+? Maybe you have questions but aren't sure if you'll say the right thing or use the correct terms. Pflag Niagara is here for you!



April 6th is International Asexuality Day! All are welcome to stop by, ask questions, and chat with us.

Service Canada

**Wednesdays, Mar. 20
& Apr. 17,
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**



Service Canada will be at your library to help you apply for programs and services including: Old Age Security (OAS), Canada Pension Plan (CPP), Employment Insurance (EI), Social Insurance Number (SIN), and My Service Canada Account (MSCA).

Canada Revenue Agency



Wed. Mar. 20, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

CRA's outreach department provides information on their free income tax clinics for those who need assistance filing their taxes to get their benefits and credits.

Their Outreach Officer can also provide information on scams awareness, the disability tax credit certificate, and the benefits, credits, and tax deductions available for individuals.

Birchway Niagara (Formerly Women's Place)



**Mondays, Mar. 11 & Apr. 15,
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.**

Learn about communication, boundaries, safety planning, and healthy relationships. Learn how to help someone who may be experiencing abuse.



Need one-on-one tech help?

Book a Tech Time appointment with our friendly staff to help answer basic questions and provide step-by-step instruction on devices. Call us to learn more: 905-834-6512.

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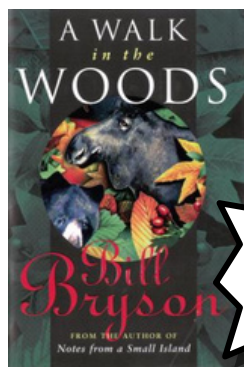
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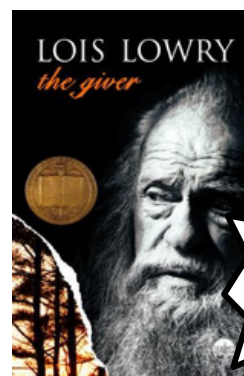
CHECK OUT OUR STAFF PICKS



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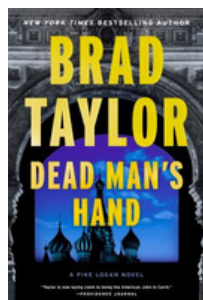
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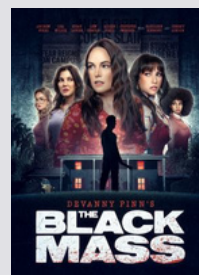
**HANNAH'S
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NEW LIBRARY MATERIALS

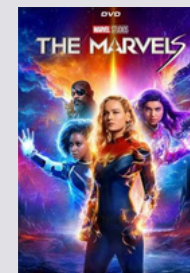
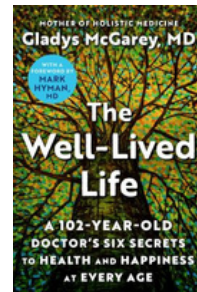
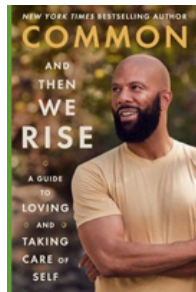
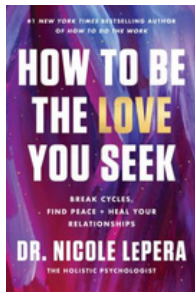
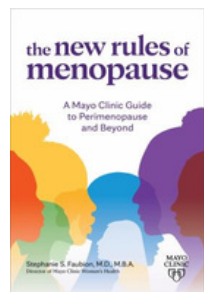
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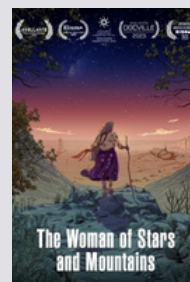
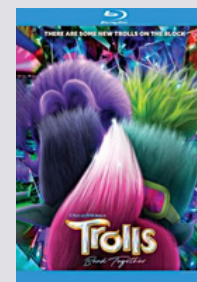
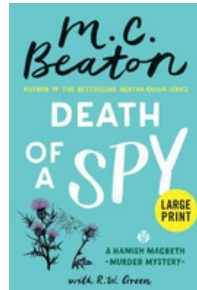
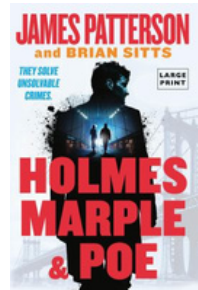
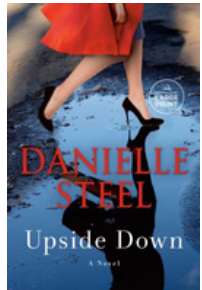
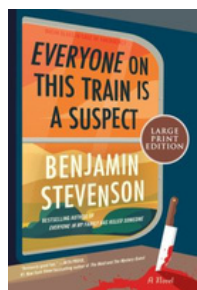
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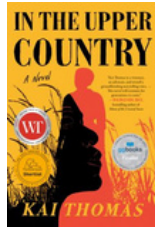
ADULT NON-FICTION BOOKS



LARGE PRINT BOOKS

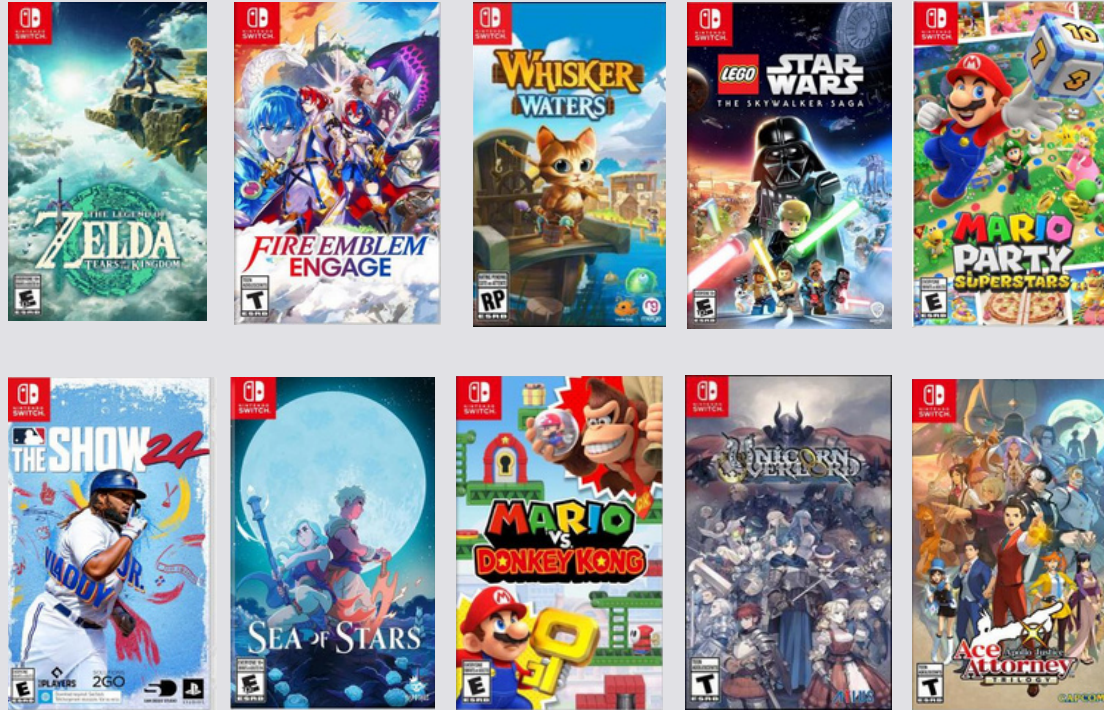


BOOK CLUB SETS — AVAILABLE THROUGH LINC

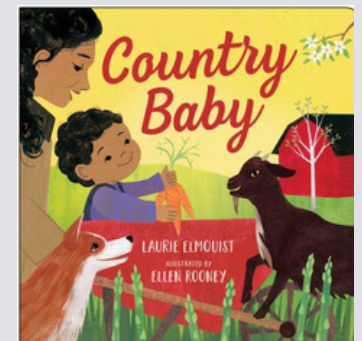


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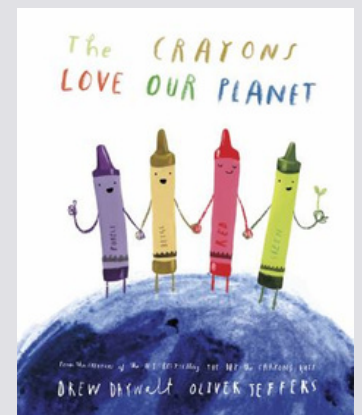
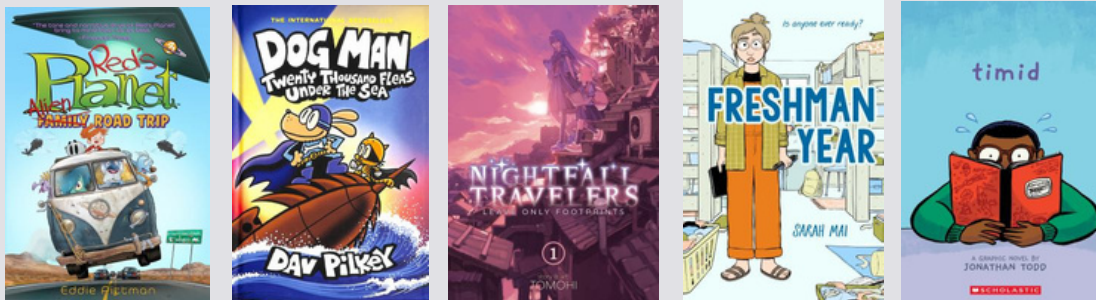
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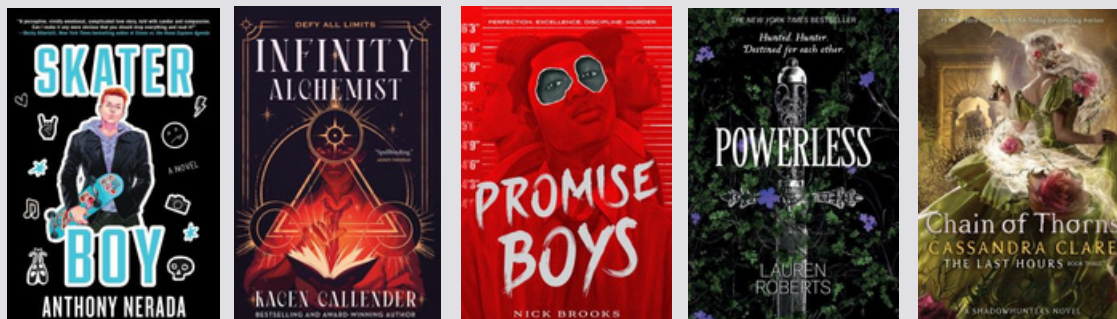
IN THE CHILDREN'S ROOM

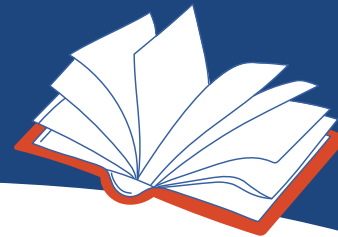


GRAPHIC NOVELS



YOUNG ADULT FICTION





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SEED LIBRARY

Did you check out seeds from the Seed Library this spring? Now that the cool weather is coming - it is time to start collecting seeds from your plants to return to the library. We have lots of great books about seed saving. Please let us know if you have any questions!



BOARD GAMES

We have over 60 board games that you can check out. Fun for all ages. Free one-week loans on a teen or adult library card.

VIDEO GAMES

Do you like to play video games? We have games for PS3, PS4, PS5, Xbox One, Xbox Series X, Wii, and Nintendo Switch. Free one-week loans on a teen or adult library card.

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