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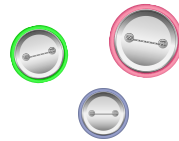
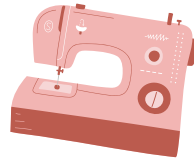
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CITY OF PORT COLBORNE'S NEW YEAR'S EVE

Tues. Dec. 31, 2 – 6 p.m.

We're popping up at the Vale Centre with new Library of Things items! Come explore our sewing machine, mini button maker, coding toys, and other exciting additions. The new items are available thanks to a generous donation by the Erwin Taylor Charitable Foundation. For all ages. Drop-in. Free.



WARHAMMER 101

Thurs. Dec. 12, 4:30 – 6 p.m.

Unbox your Warhammer 101 kit, build your minifigures, and practice painting in this engaging intro to the beloved battle game. Beginners welcome. For ages 13 – 17. Pre-register. Free.



DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Thurs. Nov. 14, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Calling all adventurers – only true heroes need apply! Beware: danger lurks around every corner, and not all who set out will return. Beginners welcome. For ages 13 – 17. Pre-register. Free.



ART IN THE ATRIUM



We're excited to welcome artists from local high schools! Support these talented teens by visiting their shows. Don't forget to sign the guestbook!

November: Port Colborne High School

December: Lakeshore Catholic High School



SUBSCRIBE

Subscribe to our monthly newsletter by visiting our website.

POSTCARDS TO VETERANS

Fri. Nov. 1 – Sat. Nov. 9

Honour the courage and dedication of local veterans with a handwritten thank-you. Postcards are available at the library. For all ages. Drop-in. Free.



LETTERS TO SANTA

Tues. Nov. 12 – Fri. Dec. 6

Write your letter to Santa and stop by the library to put your letter in the North Pole mailbox. Santa will write back! Envelopes and letter templates are available at the library. In partnership with Canada Post.



For families. Drop-in. Free.

HOLIDAY HOURS

Monday, November 11, 2024
(Closed for Remembrance Day)

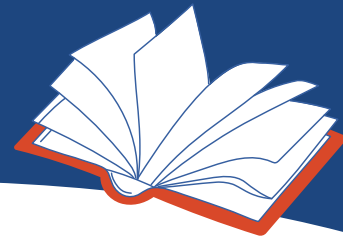
Tuesday, December 24, 2024
(Closed for Christmas Eve)

Wednesday, December 25, 2024
(Closed for Christmas Day)

Thursday, December 26, 2024
(Closed for Boxing Day)

Tuesday, December 31, 2024
(Closing at 3 p.m. for New Year's Eve)

Wednesday, January 1, 2025
(Closed for New Year's Day)



I Read Canadian Day is a national celebration of Canadian books for young people, with the goal of elevating the genre and celebrating the breadth and diversity of these books.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

STORY TIME WITH SHELLY

Saturdays, Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21 & 28,
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, Nov. 5, 12, 19 & 26, Dec. 3 & 10,
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.

BOOKMARK CONTEST

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



November Theme: Delicious Dessert

Submissions due: Nov. 30, 2024

December Theme: Winter Wonderland

Submissions due: Dec. 31, 2024



Congrats to our October winner, Calla!
Calla drew the things she's thankful for: her
little sister, her new puppy, and food.

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.

Nov. 4 – 9	Poppies	Dec. 2 – 7	Trees
Nov. 12 – 16	Music	Dec. 9 – 14	Penguins
Nov. 18 – 23	Sandwiches	Dec. 16 – 21	Hot Drinks
Nov. 25 – 30	Board Games	Dec. 23 – Jan. 4	Sugar Cookies

TAKE & MAKES

Pick up a free Take & Make
craft kit each week. Available
while supplies last. For all ages. Free.



PD DAY ACTIVITY: CODING CRITTERS

Fri. Nov. 29, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Go on an adventure with the
coding critters! Code the critters to play
fetch or hide-and-seek, or create your
own challenges. For ages 6 – 12.
Drop-in. Free.



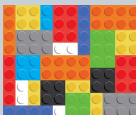
KID'S CRAFT CART

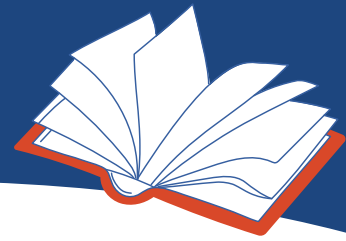
Wednesdays, Nov. 6, 13,
20 & 27, Dec. 4, 11 & 18, 3 – 4:30 p.m.
We bring the craft supplies; you bring
the creativity. Create something unique
to you at our after-school Craft Cart!
For families. Drop-in. Free.



LEGO CLUB

Mondays, Nov. 4, 18 & 25,
Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 3 – 6 p.m.
Complete a challenge, follow a pattern,
or use your imagination to make
something new – however you like to
build, you're sure to create something
amazing at Lego Club!
For ages 5+. Drop-in. Free.





We recognize and honour those who served and continue to serve to restore peace and security.

#CanadaRemembers

ADULT PROGRAMS

REDRESS DISPLAY

Presented by the CFUW from Nov. 25 – Dec. 10

The REDress Project was started by Métis artist Jaime Black in 2010 to represent the many missing and murdered Indigenous women, girls, and Two-Spirited people. Indigenous women and girls face higher rates of violence than other groups of women in Canada. Between 1980 and 2022, 16% of women murdered in Canada were Indigenous, yet they constitute only 4% of Canada's female population.



As part of the United Nations' "16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence," the CFUW encourages you to view the REDress display. For more information, please refer to Canada's National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence and the MMIWG Calls for Justice Report.

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS SPEAKER SERIES

Mon. Nov. 25, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

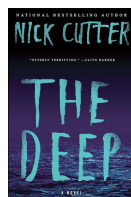
Join us for the final session and enter the draw for a chance to win a free rain barrel! Dr. Julia Baird will be speaking on the connection between empathy and water. Presented by the Environmental Advisory Committee. Pre-register. Free.



PORT COLBORNE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Mon. Nov. 18, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of **The Deep** by Nick Cutter. Limited spaces. Pre-register. Free.



Mon. Dec. 9, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of **Circling the Sun** by Paula McLain. Limited spaces. Pre-register. Free.



AS THE CROW FLIES

Mon. Nov. 25, 1:30 – 3 p.m.

Join us for a screening and discussion of the documentary film **As the Crow Flies** (2016, 83 min). Every summer, the RCAC offers its top cadets the chance to participate in an elite flight-training camp to get their pilot's license. Pre-register. Free.

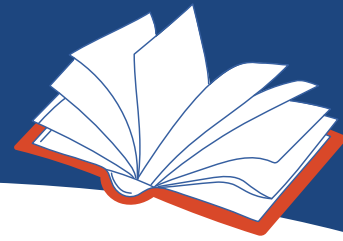


BOREALIS

Mon. Dec. 16, 1:30 – 3 p.m.

Join us for a screening and discussion of the documentary film **Borealis** (2020, 93 min). Travel deep into the heart of Canada's wilderness to explore how the plants and animals that live there communicate and survive the destructive forces of fire, insects, and human encroachment. Pre-register. Free.





Meet with local community support groups at the library to learn more about their programs and services. Drop-in. Free.

COMMUNITY CONNECT

Senior Citizens Advisory Committee

Thurs. Nov. 21 & Dec. 19, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

The Senior Citizens Advisory Committee advises City Council with respect to establishing policies, services and structures that support and enable seniors to live in security, enjoy good health and continue to participate fully in society. Stop by the library to learn about local programs, services, and resources for older adults.



Niagara College: Newcomer Language Programs

Thurs. Nov. 21, 3 – 5 p.m.

Are you a newcomer to Canada? Are you interested in improving your language skills? Stop by the library to learn more about free language programs for newcomers at Niagara College.



Service Canada

Thurs. Nov. 21 & Dec. 19, 10 a.m. – 12 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).



PFLAG Niagara

Sat. Nov. 23 & Dec. 7, 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!



Resume Refresh with PC Works

Tues. Nov. 5, 12, 19 & 26,

Dec. 3, 10 & 17, 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.



Bridges

Community Health Centre
Fort Erie and Port Colborne/Wainfleet

Bridges CHC Programs & Services

Wed. Nov. 27, 2 – 4 p.m.

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

Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program



Wed. Nov. 6 & Dec. 11, 10 – 11:30 a.m.

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

Registered Dietician



Thurs. Dec. 5, 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

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

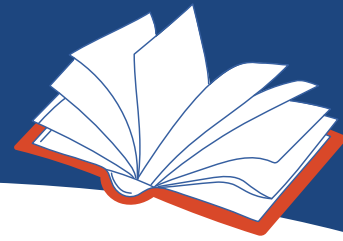
Birchway Niagara

**Mon. Nov. 4 & Dec. 2,
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.**



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



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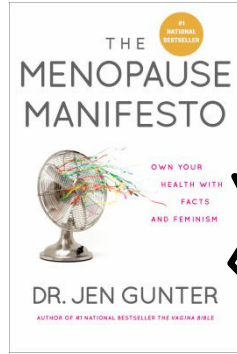
NoveList K-8 Plus helps kids find books that are just right for their reading level and interests.



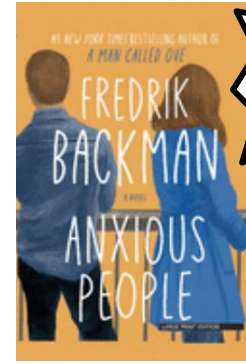
CHECK OUT OUR STAFF PICKS



HANNAH'S PICK



JEN'S PICK



ROBIN'S PICK

NEW LIBRARY MATERIALS

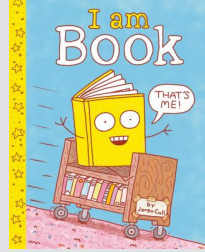
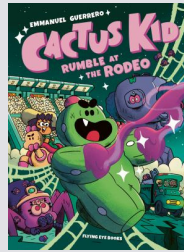
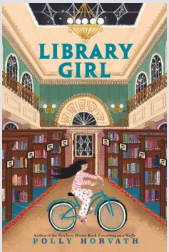
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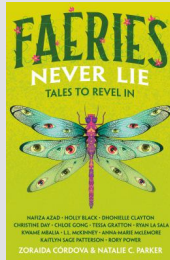


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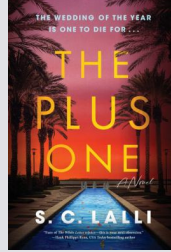
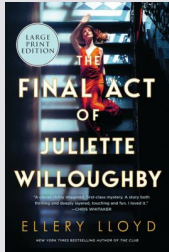
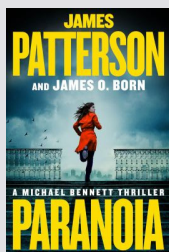
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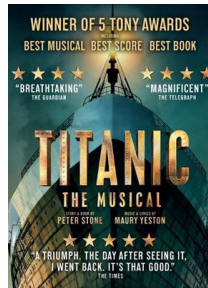
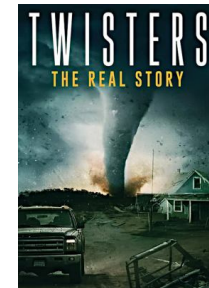
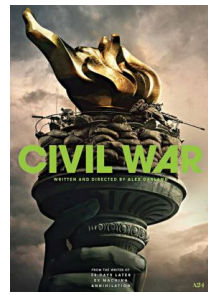
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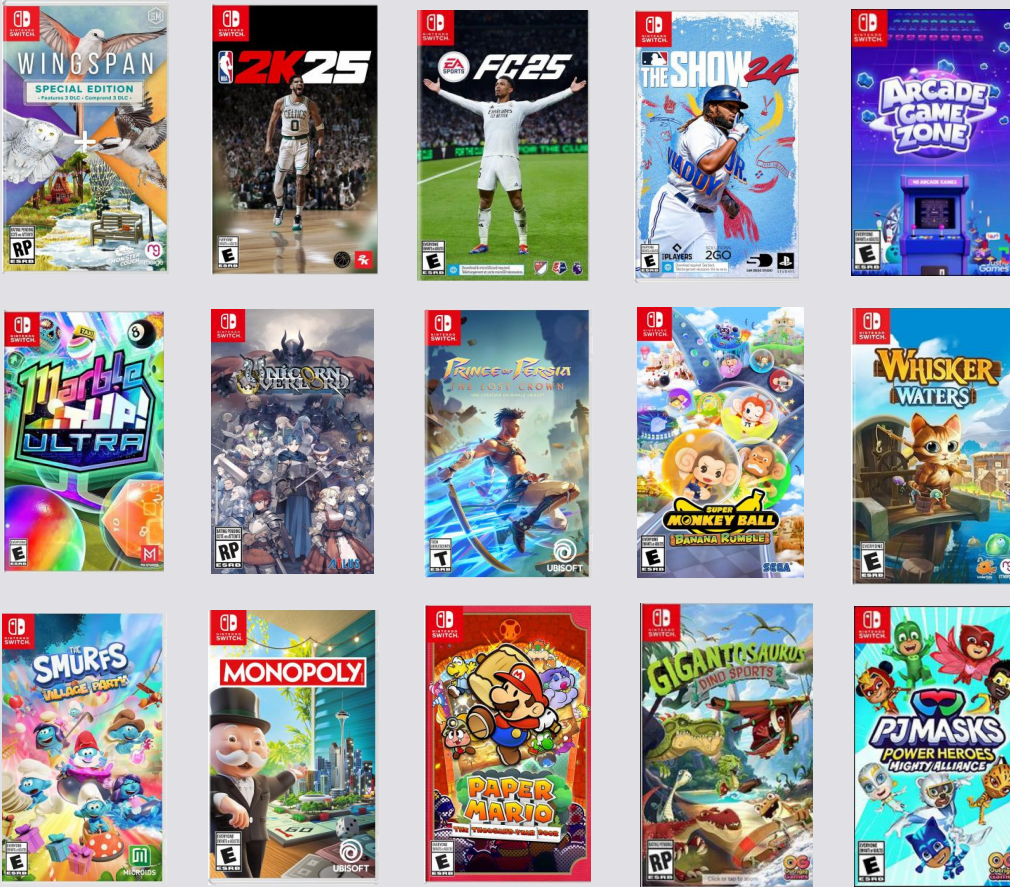


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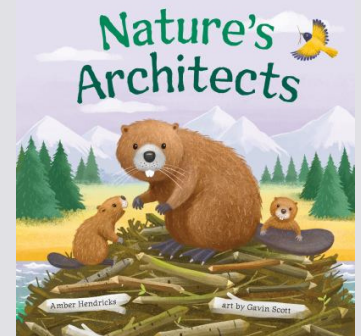
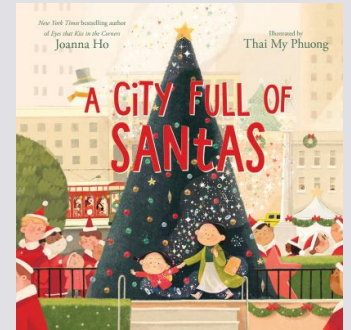


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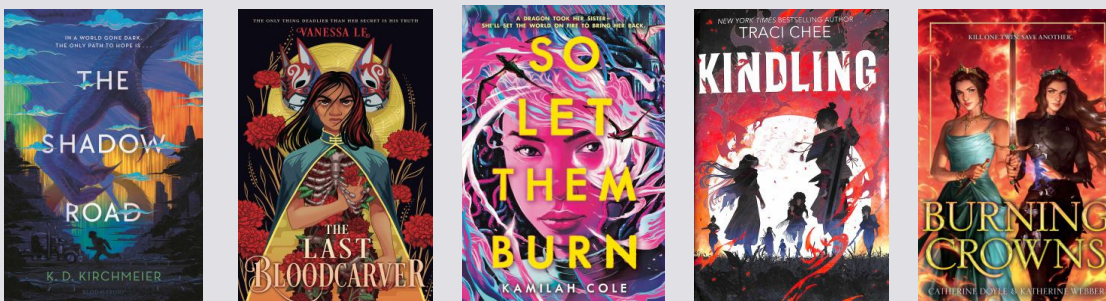
IN THE CHILDREN'S ROOM

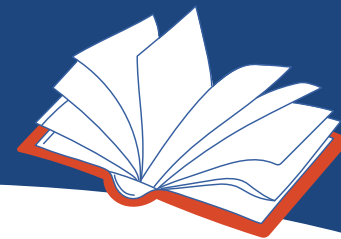


DECODABLE BOOKS — DYSLEXIA-FRIENDLY FONT



YOUNG ADULT FICTION





The winter holidays are a great time to curl up with a good book. Ask a librarian to help you find your next read.

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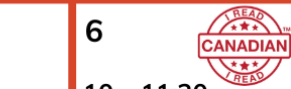
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The book drop is open 24/7 to return your books and library materials.

NOVEMBER 2024 AT THE LIBRARY

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

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3 Nov. 3 – 9 Treaties Recognition Week Nov. 5 – 11 Veteran's Week	4 10 – 12 Birchway 3 – 6 Lego Club	5 10 – 12 Resume Refresh 10:15 – 10:45 Baby Time	6 10 – 11:30 OSDCP 3 – 4:30 Kid's Craft Cart	7	8	9 10:30 – 11:30 Story Time
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17	18 1:30 – 2:30 Book Club 3 – 6 Lego Club	19 10 – 12 Resume Refresh 10:15 – 10:45 Baby Time	20 3 – 4:30 Kid's Craft Cart	21 10 – 12 Service Canada 3 – 5 Newcomer Programs	22	23 10:30 – 11:30 Story Time 11:30 – 1:30 PFLAG
24	25 1:30 – 3 Doc Films 3 – 6 Lego Club 6:30 – 7:30 Environment Speaker	26 10 – 12 Resume Refresh 10:15 – 10:45 Baby Time	27 2 – 4 Bridges 3 – 4:30 Kid's Craft Cart	28	29 10 – 2 Coding Critters	30 10:30 – 11:30 Story Time



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