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PD DAY ACTIVITY: MAKE A FAIRY WAND

Fri. June 6, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

You'll have a magical time making a colourful fairy wand. For families. Drop-in. Free.

CHOSEN NAMES

Do you have a chosen name you'd prefer to be called? Tell a librarian at check out and we'll update your library account.



BRIDGES CHC PRESENTS: FINDING AFFORDABLE DENTAL CARE



Wed. June 4, 3 – 4 p.m.

Join Bridges CHC at the library to learn about affordable dental care and resources through the Ontario Senior's Dental Care Plan (OSDCP) and the Canadian Dental Care Plan (CDCP). Pre-register. Free.

NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE PRESENTS: NEWCOMER INFO

Thurs. May 8, 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Join the Niagara Regional Police Service at the library to learn about policing in Canada, how to recognize common scams and avoid being victimized, and recognizing and reporting hate crimes. Bring your questions for a Q&A after the presentation. Pre-register. Free.



START ME UP NIAGARA'S MOBILE CLOSET

Wed. May 21, 11 a.m. – 1p.m.

Join Niagara's Mobile Closet at the library for a free shopping event with seasonally appropriate new/gently used clothing and other daily necessities for unsheltered and low-income people. Drop-in. Free.



IAMINUK PART 1: INUIT CULTURAL TEACHINGS

Mon. June 9, 5 – 7:30 p.m.

Join Cindy Biancaniello, Elder Anauta ᐱᐱᐅᐅᐅ, as she shares stories and photos dating from 1897, when her grandfather was an Inuktitut interpreter aboard the SS Diana and Neptune expedition ships.



This presentation gives a fascinating glimpse into the harsh and beautiful environment of the North and includes teachings about Inuit clothing, food, tools, and hunting practices. All are welcome. Pre-register. Free.

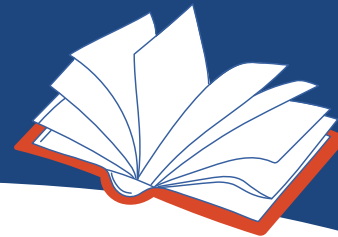
IAMINUK PART 2: MAKE A SEALSKIN BRACELET

Mon. June 23, 5 – 7:30 p.m.

Cindy Biancaniello, Elder Anauta ᐱᐱᐅᐅᐅ, teaches participants how to sew a traditional sealskin bracelet in this hands-on workshop about the importance of the seal hunt in Inuit culture. For adults ages 18+. Pre-register. Cost of \$40 per person.

HOLIDAY HOURS

Monday, May 19, 2025
(Closed for Victoria Day)



Celebrate Asian Heritage Month with us!
Browse our display of books by Asian authors.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY SAFETY DAY POP-UP



Sat. May 10, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

We're popping up for Port Colborne Fire & Emergency Services' annual Community Safety Day.

Meet Sparky the Fire Dog, learn about fire safety, attend the bike rodeo, and stop by the library's table to make a button. Visit www.portcolborne.ca for more info. For families. Drop-in. Free.

BABY TIME

Tuesdays, May 13, 20 & 27, June 3, 10 & 17, 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.



STORY TIME WITH SHELLY

Saturdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31, June 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.



BOOKMARK CONTEST

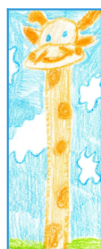
Submit a bookmark design for a chance to be our featured artist for the month. Available in the Children's Room. Free.

May Theme: May Flowers

Submissions due: May 31, 2025

June Theme: Super Sports

Submissions due: June 30, 2025



Congrats to our April winner, Ivy!
Ivy drew a giraffe in the wild.

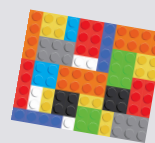


AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

LEGO CLUB

Mondays, May 5, 12 & 26, June 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.



KID'S CRAFT CART

Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21 & 28, June 4, 11, 18 & 25, 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.



SCAVENGER HUNTS

Complete the weekly scavenger hunt in the Children's Room to win a small prize. For all ages. Drop-in. Free.



TAKE & MAKES

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

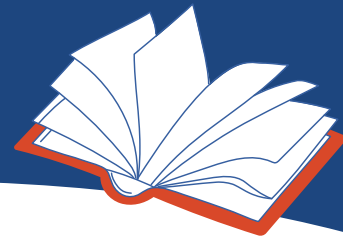


**TD Summer Reading Club
registration opens June 16th!**



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JUNE IS RECREATION AND PARKS MONTH.



Check out a park pass, trekking poles, or sports equipment and spend some time outdoors at a local park.

ADULT PROGRAMS

SENIORS' EXPO POP-UP



Thurs. June 12, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

We're popping up for the Seniors' Expo at Friends Over 55. Get a library card, book a Tech Time session, and learn about our seniors' programs. For seniors. Drop-in. Free.

ART IN THE ATRIUM

May: Brian Kon

Brian is an internationally recognized Métis artist with English and Moose Cree heritage. Brian's style of art is called "dot art", or bead art painting, which is a modern version of traditional beadwork created by Métis people.



June: Lakeshore Catholic High School

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



PORT COLBORNE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

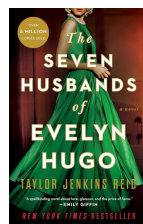
Mon. May 12, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of **The Constant Gardener** by John le Carré. Limited spaces. Pre-register. Free.



Mon. June 9, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of **The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo** by Taylor Jenkins Reid. Limited spaces. Pre-register. Free.



WORK DIFFERENT

Mon. May 26, 1:30 – 3 p.m.

Join us for a screening and discussion of the documentary film **Work Different** (2023, 51 min). How has working remotely reshaped the workplace—and our lives? With humour and intelligence, *Work Different* reframes a host of topical issues by talking to the experts. Pre-register. Free.



STOLEN TIME

Mon. June 30, 1:30 – 3 p.m.

Join us for a screening and discussion of the documentary film **Stolen Time** (2023, 85 min). An elder rights lawyer and hundreds of aggrieved families take on the corporate for-profit nursing-home industry—an industry notorious for its lack of transparency and accountability. Pre-register. Free.



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

COMMUNITY CONNECT

BIAN (Brain Injury Association of Niagara)

Tues. May 20, 3 – 5 p.m.

BIAN is committed to empowering and maximizing the quality of life for individuals living with the effects of acquired brain injury and their families through support, social activities, community and peer opportunities, advocacy, and information and are committed to education, awareness, and prevention of brain injury in the Niagara Region.



Senior Citizens Advisory Committee

Thurs. May 15 & June 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.



PFLAG Niagara

Sat. May 17 & June 21, 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

**Thurs. May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29,
June 5, 12, 19 & 26, 12 – 2 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.



Birchway Niagara

**Mon. May 5,
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. Confidential meeting spaces are available.



Bridges

Community Health Centre
Fort Erie and Port Colborne/Wainfleet

Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program

Wed. May 7, 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



Are you a local community support group interested in joining Community Connect?

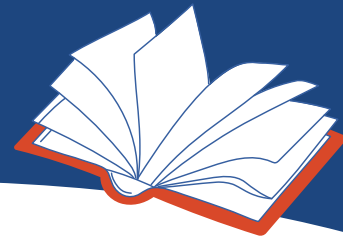
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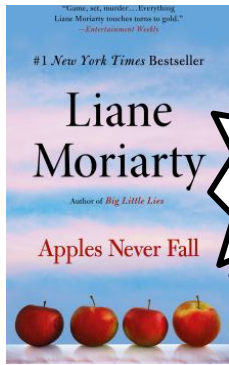


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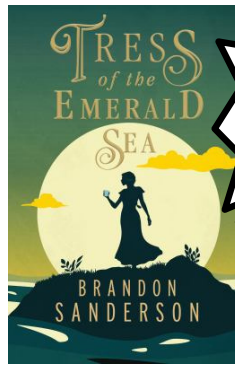
Access heritage collections from public and academic libraries, archives, museums, historical societies, women's institutes, newspaper publishers, and community organizations.



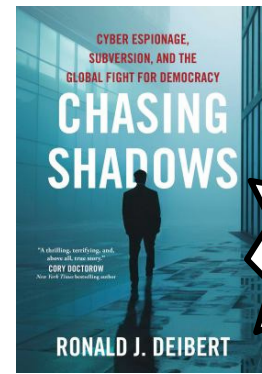
CHECK OUT OUR STAFF PICKS



**CLEAH'S
PICK**



**BETH'S
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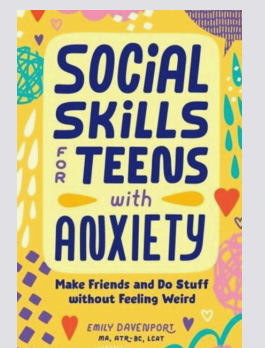
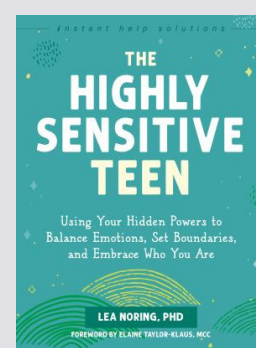
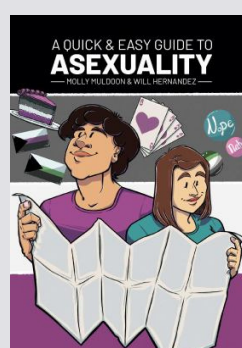
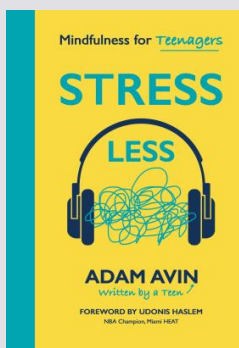
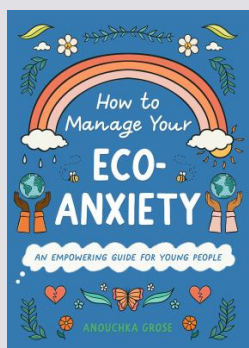
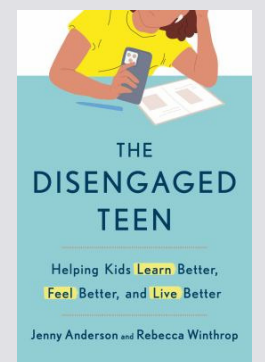
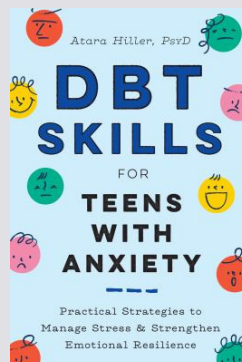
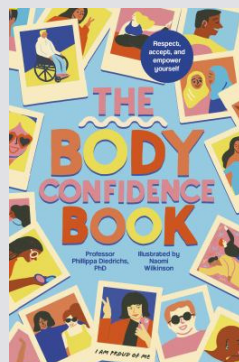
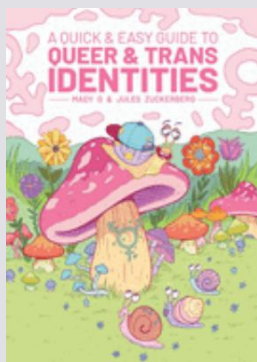
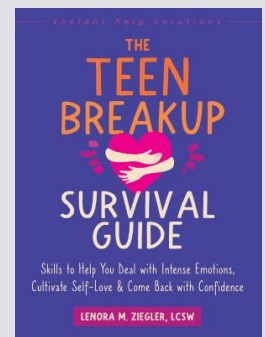
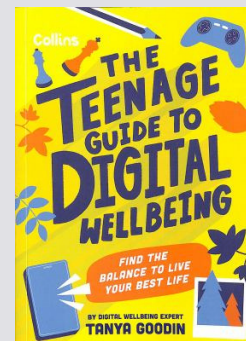
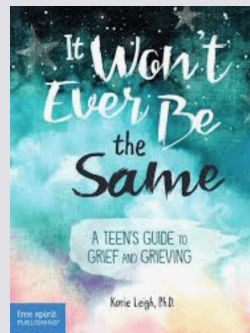
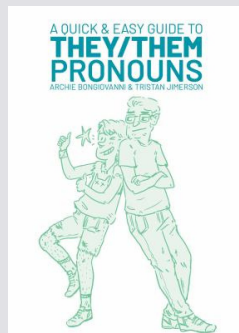
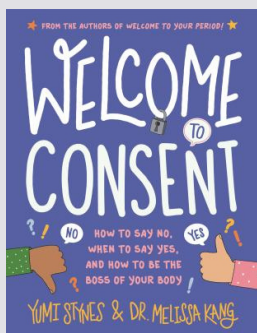


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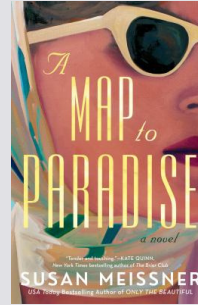
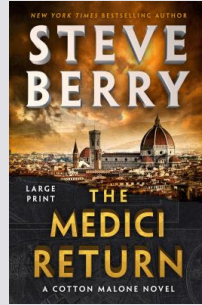
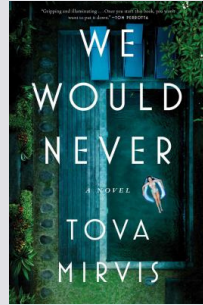
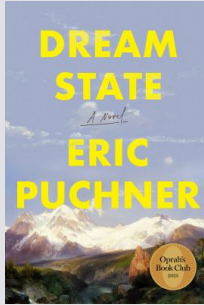
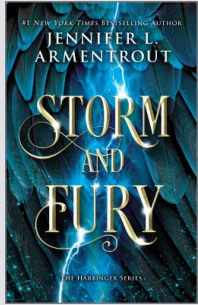
NEW TEEN NON-FICTION

Our new Teen Non-Fiction collection includes books on budgeting, mental health, gender identity, digital well-being, and more! Browse the collection in the Teen Area or place a hold using our online catalogue.

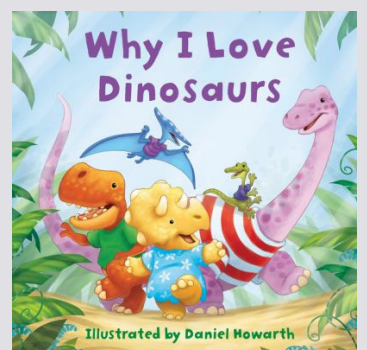
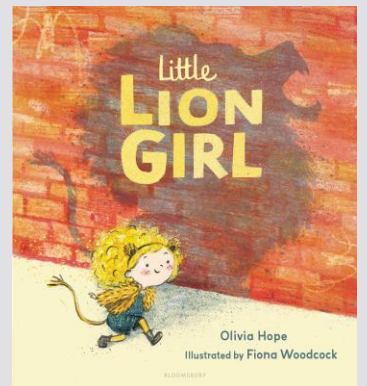
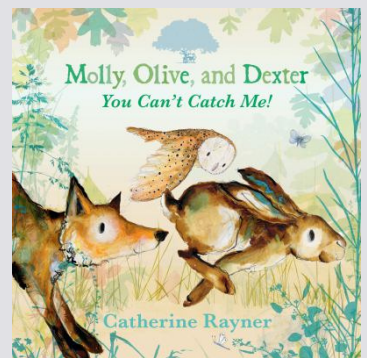
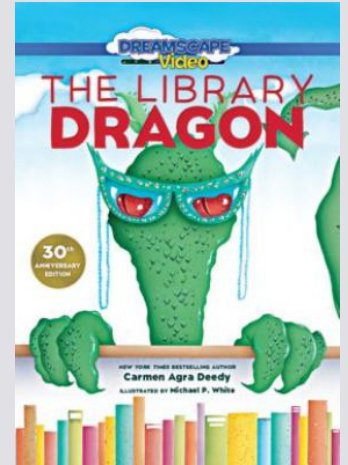


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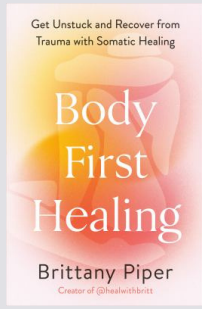
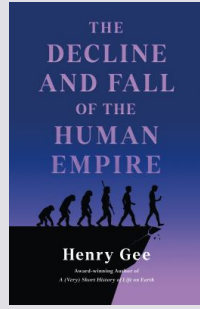
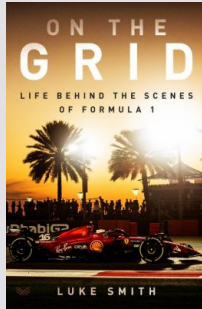
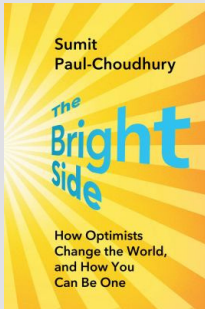
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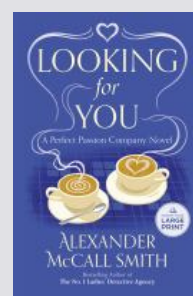
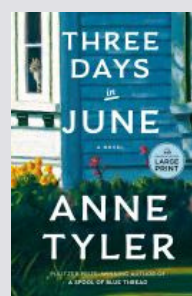
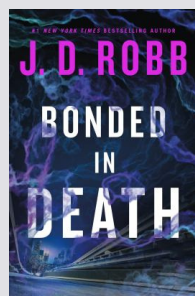
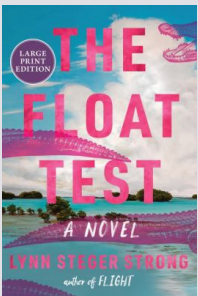
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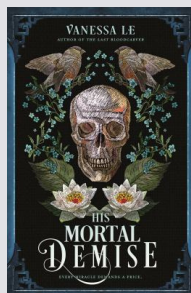
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Are you a gardener? Do you want to see if this fascinating hobby is for you? Check out some seeds from our Seed Library.



Our seed library was established in 2018 and has seen over 1000 seed packets borrowed. Seed libraries offer numerous benefits, including promoting genetic diversity, supporting local food security, and fostering community engagement.

Borrowing is easy: just let us know how many packets you're taking home and after harvest, send us seeds from your homegrown veggies or flowers.

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Our Music Makerspace includes a keyboard, digital drum set, ukeleles, a guitar, and bells and shakers. Book the Music Makerspace for free for sessions starting at 30 minutes. Children must be accompanied by an adult.



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4 Screen Free Week	5 10 – 12 Birchway 3 – 6 Lego Club	6	7 10 – 11:30 OSDCP 3 – 4:30 Kid's Craft Cart	8 12 – 2 Resume Refresh 6 – 7:30 NRPS Presents	9	10 10 – 1 Pop-Up @ Community Safety Day 10:30 – 11:30 Story Time
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