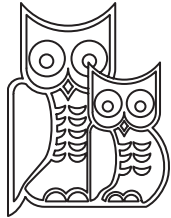


# WHAT'S NEW @ St. Catharines Public Library

March/April 2017



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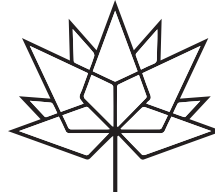
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## ST. CATHARINES PUBLIC LIBRARY STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The St. Catharines Public Library Board is committed to providing all the citizens of St. Catharines with the highest level of library services, materials and facilities within the resources available to meet their informational, educational and recreational needs.

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## CELEBRATE CANADA 150

@ The St. Catharines Public Library

Throughout 2017, the Library will be hosting a variety of exciting programs and events to celebrate Canada's 150th anniversary of Confederation. Please join us for the first program in this series.

### Public Gardens in Canada

Canada is home to some of the most beautiful gardens in the world. Join us as Master Gardener Marcia Barron takes us on a tour of botanical gardens across the country. She will highlight some of the gardens found in the Southern Ontario region. She will also include a look at the newest botanical garden in Canada.

• Wednesday, April 19 • 7:00 pm • Central Library, Mills Room • Free

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## GREAT WAR CENTENARY SERIES

### A True Horror of War:

#### Canadian Army Rations and Food

#### Preparation During the First World War

It has always been the soldier's right to grouse. Throughout history, many complaints have centered on army food and rations. Tales of terrible, badly prepared food and hunger in the trenches are included in firsthand accounts of the Great War. On the other hand, the achievement of the British and Empire supply system to feed so many soldiers on the Western Front was something of a minor miracle. Join us as local historian David Webb explores the good, the bad, and the inedible during World War I.

• Tuesday, April 11 • 7:00 pm  
• Central Library, Mills Room Free



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# For Children

## STORY CORNER

Meet in the Children's area at the Central Library at 11:15 am every Saturday for 30 minutes of storytelling. Bring your favourite stuffed animal friend.

## TEDDY TIME TALES

### (Ages 5 and under & their families)

Meet in the Children's Area every Saturday for 30 minutes of storytelling. Bring along your teddy!

- Dr. Huq Family Branch at 10:15 am
- Merritt Branch at 2:15 pm
- Port Dalhousie Branch at 2:15 pm

## CLASS VISITS @ ST. CATHARINES PUBLIC LIBRARY

For Schools, Day Cares  
and Home School Families

Bring your students to the Library for a book browse or arrange for a tour or program by calling 905-688-6103, ext. 252.

Class visits are offered year round  
at all library locations.

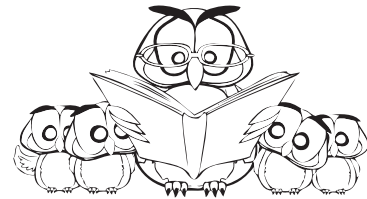
New sessions of 'Books and Babies' and 'Stories 'N More' will begin in April. Check the Story Time brochure for the dates and times at each Library location.

**Remember TO REGISTER IN ADVANCE  
for all programs.**

## Crafternoons (Ages 10 and under)

Drop in for fun crafts and activities. We provide the materials and you let your creativity run wild. Parents or older siblings may need to help younger children with activities.

- Saturdays, March 4 and 18, and April 1, 15 and 29
- 1:00-3:30 pm • Port Dalhousie Branch • Free



## Family Story Time (Ages 5 and under and their families)

### Somewhere Over the Rainbow

Enjoy stories, songs and a craft about colours.

- Tuesday, March 14 • 6:30 - 7:15 pm
- Central Library, Story Hour Room • Free

### Spring

Join us as we welcome spring  
with stories, songs and a craft.

- Tuesday, April 11 • 6:30 - 7:15 pm
- Central Library, Story Hour Room • Free

### REGISTRATION:

1. Children must meet the minimum age requirement at the start of the program.
2. Register in person at any Library location.
3. Fees must be paid when you register.
4. Programs may be cancelled due to insufficient interest.

# For Children

## **Tell Tails: Therapy Tails Ontario (Ages 6 - 12)**

Reading should be fun. By reading to a furry friend, children can improve their reading skills, confidence, interest and enjoyment in reading. Every Therapy Tail dog is specially trained and certified to sit quietly and listen while your child reads aloud to it. Please register in advance.

- Thursdays, March 9 and April 13 • 6:30-7:15 pm
  - Merritt Branch
- OR
- Saturdays, March 18 and April 15 • 2:15-3:00 pm
  - Dr. Huq Family Branch • Free



## **Bert's Comedy Magic Show (Ages 2+ with adult accompaniment)**

Hilarious, bumbling-fumbling comedy, dazzling magic and loads of audience participation! Bumbling Bert will have your children utterly enchanted. Even the youngest children will be delighted.

- Wednesday, March 15 • 10:00-10:45 am
- Central, Mills Room • Fee: \$4.00 per person

**Every person attending must have a ticket.**

**Tickets available at all Library Locations.**

## **3D Printing for Kids (Ages 8-12)**

Discover the world of 3D printing and learn how to prepare and print 3D items. The program fee includes the printing of an item using up to 30 grams of filament. Printed items will need to be picked up at a later date. Registration is limited.

- Thursday, March 16 OR Saturday, March 25  
OR Saturday, April 8 • 2:30 – 3:30 pm
- Central Library, Learning Resource Centre
- Fee: \$5.00

## **Pyjama Story Time (Ages 5 & under with caregiver)**

Wear your coziest pyjamas and join us for an evening of delicious cocoa, fun stories and cool crafts. Please register in advance.

### **Deep Blue Sea**

- Wednesday, March 22 • 6:30-7:15 pm
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Free

### **Rhythm and Dance**

Move your body to the beat of our musical stories, and make your very own instrument

- Wednesday, April 26 • 6:30-7:15 pm
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Free

## **BUBBLE BLAST (AGES 6-9)**

Bubbles are fun! Stretch the limits of your science knowledge as we try to blow the biggest bubble, bounce a bubble on our hands and poke a bubble without popping it.

- Thursday, March 23 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Merritt Branch • Fee: \$2.00

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**Brochures are available at all Library locations or visit the Library's website.**

**Space is limited, so please register in advance.**

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# For Children

## The Hangout (Ages 6-11)

Looking for something fun to do after school? The Hangout is the perfect spot with activities, games, crafts, and more!

- Wednesdays, March 29-April 19 • 4:00-4:45 pm
  - Merritt Branch • Fee: \$4.00 for 4 weeks
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## Newspaper Forts (Ages 6-11)

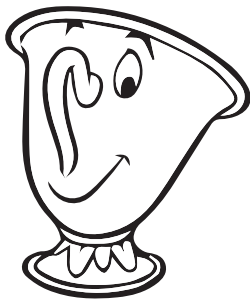
If you're looking for something to do on a rainy day, come in and create your own life-sized fort. The fort is yours to take home and enjoy.

- Friday, March 31 • 4:00-5:00 pm
  - Merritt Branch • Fee: \$2.00
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## Beauty and the Beast Tea Party (Ages 4-8 years)

Be our guest! Come and celebrate the movie release with a fun-filled party in honour of Belle and the Beast. We'll play games, make a craft, and have some tea brewed by Mrs. Potts!

- Saturday, April 1 • 2:30-3:30 pm
- Central Library, Story Hour Room • Fee: \$3.00



## Chess Club (Ages 6 - 9)

Children who already play chess are invited to sharpen their chess playing skills. Space is limited. Please register in advance.

- Tuesdays, April 4-May 9 • 4:00-5:30 pm
  - Merritt Branch • Free
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## LittleBits Lab (Ages 8-12)

LittleBits are easy-to-use electronic building blocks that snap together with magnets to allow you to invent and create. Space is limited, so please register in advance.

- Thursdays, April 6-27 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Fee: \$5.00 for 4 weeks

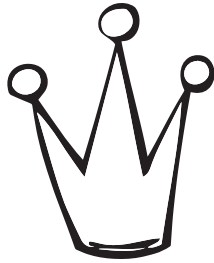
# For Children

## **EASTER BABIES**

### **(AGES 2 AND UNDER WITH A CAREGIVER)**

Get creative and celebrate Easter with stories, songs, activities and a craft.

- Thursday, April 13 • 10:15 – 10:45 am
- Central Library, Story Hour Room
- Fee: \$1.00 per child



### *Fairy for a Day (Ages 6-11)*

Bring out your inner fairy with a flowery crown, sparkly manicure, and a deliciously edible wand. Space is limited, so please register in advance.

- Friday, April 21 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Fee: \$3.00

### **Decorate Your Own Recycling Bin**

#### **(Ages 6-11)**

Let's make recycling fun! Decorate and bring home your own recycling bin.

- Saturday, April 22 • 10:30-11:30 am
- Merritt Branch • Fee: \$2.00



### **Lemonade Club (Ages 6 - 11)**

Ready for a break after school? In this weekly program you will enjoy a glass of lemonade as we read aloud from an exciting children's novel. Please bring your own glass.

- Wednesdays, April 26-May 31 • 4:00-4:45 pm
- Merritt Branch • Free

### **April Showers Bring May Flowers (Ages 3-6 + caregiver)**

Put on your rain boots and head to the Library for some rainy day stories and a simple science experiment to demonstrate how clouds gather water and develop rain! Please register in advance.

- Saturday, April 29 • 2:30-3:30 pm
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Fee: \$2.00



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# For Tweens

## **LEVEL - UP!** **VIDEO GAME** **CLUB**

**(Ages 9 -14)**

If you love video games, this club is for you. Each week we will be playing a variety of competitive and cooperative games. Drop in after school to relax and play games of all kinds.

- Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16 • 3:30 - 5:00 pm
- Thursdays, April 6, 13, 20 • 3:30 - 5:00 pm
- Central Library, Rotary/Bankers Room • Free

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## **ORIGAMI CLUB (AGES 9-14)**

Create amazing paper sculptures through the ancient art of origami. Experience is not required. Please register in advance.

- Saturday, March 11 and April 1
- 1:00-2:30 pm OR 2:30-4:00 pm
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Free

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## **Battle of the Books (Ages 9 - 18)**

The Ontario Library Association's Forest of Reading program recognizes the best in Canadian books and authors. The Red Maple Award is presented to the best book selected for students in grades 7-8. The White Pine Award is presented to the best book selected for students in grades 9-12.

Voting ballots will be available at the Central Library for tweens (ages 9-14) and teens (ages 12-18). If the Ontario Library Association chooses the title you voted for as the winner -- you could win a prize! The contest runs from April 1-30. Free

## **The Write Stuff (Ages 11-16)**

Join other poetry and short story writers and learn how to improve your writing skills. Dr. David Collins (PhD Comparative Literature) will help you take your creative writing to the next level.

- Wednesday, March 15, and Wednesday, April 19
- 7:00 - 9:00 pm
- Central Library, Story Hour Room • Free

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## **Chess Club (Ages 10 - 13)**

Children who already play chess are invited to sharpen their chess playing skills. Space is limited. Please register in advance.

- Tuesdays, April 4-May 9 • 6:00-7:30 pm
- Merritt Branch • Free

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## **Easter Egg Drop Challenge** **(Ages 9-14)**

Put your Easter eggs to the ultimate test! Decorate colorful eggs and then compete to keep them from breaking when dropped in our egg-cellent challenges.

- Friday, April 7 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Fee: \$3.00

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## **Marbled Easter Eggs (9-14)**

Want to create Easter eggs with some pizzazz? Learn how to make fun marbled designs with a bit of nail polish! Eggs and decorating tools will be provided.

- Wednesday, April 12 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Central Library, Story Hour Room • Fee: \$2.00

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# For Teens



## Proud to Be Canadian Teen and Tween Photography Contest (Ages 9 - 18)

Be creative and use your camera to capture the beauty of Canada. Please, no photographs of people.

Entries will be judged by members of the St. Catharines Photographic Club in two age categories: tweens (9-14) and teens (15-18). The contest will run from April 1 until July 31.

For full contest details, pick up an entry form at any Branch of the St. Catharines Public Library or visit the Library website: <http://www.stcatharines.library.on.ca>

*For more information, please call  
905-688-6103, ext. 227.*

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## Anime Club (Ages 12-18)

Do you like Japanese Anime? Bring your trading cards, share your drawings, and check out our manga and graphic novel collections. Join us the first Thursday of each month.

- Thursday, March 2 and Thursday, April 6
- 7:00 - 9:00 pm
- Central Library, Story Hour Room • Free

## Teen Advisory Council (Ages 12 -18)

Teen Advisory Council members

TAC will be meeting in April to discuss ideas for Teen collections, programs and services. If you are interested in becoming a member, call 905-688-6103 ext. 225 for more information.

- Thursday, April 13 • 7:00 - 8:30 pm
- Central Library, Story Hour Room • Free

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## Fresh Ink

17<sup>th</sup> Annual Creative Writing Competition for Teens

Teens, 12-18 years of age who live or study in the Niagara Region, are invited to submit original works of poetry and/or short stories. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners and the runners-up in each category. Details and entry forms will be available in April at all Library locations and on the Library's website.

Deadline for submissions is July 31, 2017.

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## Computer Programs

**Recommended for ages 15 and above.**

- You must register for all courses with the exception of Tech Time.
- For information or to register call 905-688-6103, ext 211.
- Sessions may be cancelled if courses are not filled.
- Handouts for free classes are \$2.00

## BEGINNER'S COMPUTER COURSES

### Computer Basics

Brand new to computers? Learn about basic computer components, including mouse and keyboarding skills, and learn to manage/organize files and folders using Windows 10. No experience necessary. Register for one of the dates below.

- Wednesday, March 29 • 6:30-8:00 pm
- Friday, March 3, March 31 • 10:00 -11:30 am
- Friday, March 24, April 28 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm
- Free

### Internet 1

Learn to surf the Internet using web addresses and search engines. Pre-requisite: basic knowledge of computers. Register for one of the dates below.

#### Central Library

- Wednesday, March 8, April 5 • 6:30 - 8:00 pm
- Friday, March 10, April 7 • 10:00 - 11:30 am
- Friday, March 3, March 31 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm

#### \*NEW\* Dr. Huq Family Branch

- Wednesday, April 5 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm
- Free

### Internet 2

Improve your Internet searching skills using subject directories and advanced search options in Google. Pre-requisite: Internet 1 or basic knowledge of computers and the Internet. Register for one of the dates below.

#### Central Library

- Wednesday, March 15, April 12 • 6:30 - 8:00 pm
- Friday, March 17, April 21 • 10:00 - 11:30 am
- Friday, March 10, April 7 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm

#### \*NEW\* Dr. Huq Family Branch

- Wednesday, April 19 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm
- Free

### Internet 3

Focus your searches to find great websites. Learn to access the Library's collection of free databases and subscription-based websites. Pre-requisite: Internet 2 or basic knowledge of computers and the Internet. Register for one of the dates below.

- Wednesday, March 22, April 26 • 6:30 - 8:00 pm
- Friday, March 24, April 28 • 10:00 - 11:30 am
- Friday, March 17, April 21 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm
- Free

## DIGITAL COLLECTIONS

### Digital Collections Clinic

Not sure how to download library e-books, audiobooks, music or magazines to your laptop, e-reader or tablet? Staff will provide one-on-one assistance to help you set up your device and access our wide variety of electronic collections, including **Overdrive, Freegal, Zinio, Hoopla and more. Please bring your tablet or laptop and e-reader and a valid St. Catharines Library card.** Register for one of the dates below.

#### Central Library

- Wednesday, March 1, April 5 • 2:00 - 4:00 pm

#### \*NEW\* Dr. Huq Family Branch

Thursday, April 27 • 10:00 am - 12 noon

#### \*NEW\* Merritt Branch

Thursday, March 23 • 1:00 - 3:00 pm

- Free



## Downloadable Magazines 101

Learn how to download free digital magazines to your computer, tablet, and/or smartphone from **Zinio**. **Participants must have a valid St. Catharines Library card and email address and may bring a mobile device to the program.** Pre-registration is required.

- Tuesday, March 28 • 2:00 - 3:00 pm • Free

## GENEALOGY

### Ancestry Library Edition

Find the story of your ancestors by learning how to search Census Records, Wills, Passenger Lists, Birth, Marriage & Death Records on Ancestry.com. Pre-registration is required.

- Thursday, March 2 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm • Free

### Genealogy on The Internet

Learn about and explore genealogical websites, and develop your research skills. Pre-requisite: *Internet 1* or basic knowledge of computers and the Internet. Pre-registration is required.

- Thursday, April 20 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm • Free

## JOB SKILLS TRAINING

### Job and Career Searching Online

Use national and local websites to find public and private job postings. Discover new career possibilities by using the Internet and our Career Cruising database. Pre-registration is required.

- Thursday, April 27 • 2:00 -3:30 pm • Free

### Microsoft Word Basics

Learn how to create stylish letters, professional looking reports and other useful documents in **Microsoft Word 2010**. Basic knowledge of computers required. Pre-registration is required.

- Tuesday, April 4 • 2:00 – 3:30 pm
- Fee: \$5.00 + HST

### Microsoft Word – Advanced

Explore the more advanced features of Microsoft Word 2010 to take your documents to the next level. Topics include working with templates, creating tables and columns, and using mail merge. Pre-requisite: Experience with Microsoft Word or *Microsoft Word Basics*. Register for one of the dates below.

#### Central Library

- Tuesday, April 11 • 2:00 – 3:30 pm
- FEE: \$5.00 + HST

#### \*NEW\* Dr. Huq Family Branch

- Wednesday, March 1 • 2:00 – 3:30 pm
- Fee: \$5.00 + HST

### Excel Basics

Learn the basics of creating professional spreadsheets with **Microsoft Excel 2010**. Prerequisite: Experience with Microsoft Word or *Microsoft Word Basics*. Pre-registration is required.

- Tuesday, April 18 • 2:00 – 4:00 pm
- Fee: \$10.00 + HST

## SOCIAL NETWORKING

### Facebook 1

Explore the world of social networking with Facebook. Create a profile, update your status and connect with friends. Basic knowledge of computers and the Internet are required. Pre-registration is required.

- Thursday, March 23 • 2:00 – 3:30 pm
- Fee: \$5.00 + HST

### Facebook 2

Enhance your Facebook experience by experimenting with popular Facebook features. Learn how to upload pictures, connect with organizations, and master private messaging and chat. Pre-requisite: *Facebook 1* or limited Facebook experience. Pre-registration is required.

- Thursday, March 30 • 2:00 – 3:30 pm
- Fee: \$5.00 + HST

## Twitter Basics

Instantly connect with friends, celebrities, experts and organizations with Twitter. Create a profile, learn to "tweet", send private messages, and manage your followers. Basic knowledge of computers and the Internet are required. Pre-registration is required.

- Thursday, March 9 • 2:00 – 3:30 pm
- Fee: \$5.00 + HST

## Shopping Online

You can save time, gas and money by shopping online but it's also important to gain an understanding of how to shop smart, shop safe and pay securely! Pre-requisite: Internet Basics or some experience using an Internet browser. Pre-registration is required.

- Tuesday, April 25 • 2:00 – 3:00 pm
- Free

## Planning Travel Online

Want to plan a vacation online but don't know where to begin? From transportation to accommodation and what to do when you arrive, this class will introduce you to a few of the many travel sites and apps available to get you started. Pre-requisite: Internet Basics or some experience using an Internet browser. Register for one of the dates below.

### Central Library

- Tuesday, March 7 • 2:00 – 3:00 pm

### \*NEW\* Dr. Huq Family Branch

- Wednesday, March 22 • 2:00 – 3:00 pm
- Free

## 3D Printing Basics

Learn all about 3D printing. Discover how to obtain and upload 3D files online, prepare a file for printing and see a 3D printer in action. Recommended for ages 15 and above. Registration is required and limited to 8 participants. Register for one of the dates below.

- Tuesday, March 21 • 2:00 – 3:30 pm
- Thursday, April 13 • 2:00 – 3:30 pm
- Free

The option of printing your own object will include a minimal fee. See page 15 for printing costs.

## \* NEW\* 3D Printing Design

Did you know that 3D printing technology has been used to solve many real-world problems? 3D printing has amplified and democratized the innovation process in Engineering, Science, Design, and other fields. Tasks like creating a prototype of an idea, quickly making simple parts to aid lab studies, or customizing parts to individual purposes are simpler and more cost effective than ever before. Come out to see examples of parts that have been printed on a variety of 3D printers, see how a 3D CAD model is made, and hear from Professional Engineer Nathan Scott about the power of 3D printing. Register for one of the dates below.

- Saturday, March 25 • 10:00 – 11:30 am
- Wednesday, April 19 • 6:30 – 8:00 pm
- Free

The option of printing your own object will include a minimal fee. See page 15 for printing costs.

## Tech Time

Join us for a free, drop-in session where adults can receive one-on-one help with basic computer software issues, the Internet, gadgets and much more. Drop in at one of the following times.

- Central Library • Saturday, April 22  
• 10:00 – 12:00 noon • Free
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Saturday, March 25  
• 9:30 – 11:30 am • Free
- Merritt Branch • Saturday, April 8  
• 9:30 – 11:30 am • Free

## Adult Puzzle Swap

Are you a puzzle enthusiast? Do you have completed puzzles that are now collecting dust? Join us for our Adult Puzzle Swap! For each puzzle you bring, you will have the opportunity to select one new-to-you puzzle. Please bring puzzles that are in good condition and not missing any pieces.

- Saturday, March 4 • 10:00 – 11:00 am  
• Central Library, Mills Room • Free

## Essential Oils 101

Have you heard about essential oils but wondered where to start? Join Cassandra McNiven, DoTerra Wellness Advocate, and learn what essential oils are, where they come from, how to use them, and how essential oils can help to improve your overall health and wellness.

- Tuesday, March 7 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

**Please register in advance.**

## Afternoons for Adults

### Senior Financial Abuse

Senior financial abuse can take many different forms and is perpetrated by both family and strangers. Rick Rochon from The BeFAIR Service will discuss the types of situations that can occur and how to avoid them from happening to you.

- Tuesday, March 7 • 2:00 pm
- Central, Mills Room • Free

### Biking in Niagara

For over twenty years, the Niagara Freewheelers have been leading tours and promoting biking in the region. Rita Dillon, President of the Niagara Freewheelers, will share tips on how and where to bike in Niagara.

- Tuesday, April 4 • 2:00 pm
- Central, Mills Room • Free



## Introduction to Bullet Journaling

Are you looking to organize your life but do not know where to start? Have you always wanted to keep a journal but found all that writing too intimidating? If so, creative bullet journaling might be for you! Longtime journaling fan Kathryn Howe will introduce you to this fun and easy way to keep track of the areas of your life that are most important to you with bullet journaling. Artistic experience is not necessary! **Please bring a notebook, pen and ruler to the workshop.**

- Tuesday, March 21 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Rotary/Bakers Room • Free

**Please register in advance as seating is limited.**

## Brock Talks



Please join us for another exciting series of talks with Brock University's Faculty of Humanities Professors who will speak about their fascinating areas of research.

### A Walk Through (8th Century) Rome

#### Dr. Carol Merriam and Dr. Anton Jansen

Dr. Carol Merriam (Professor of Latin Poetry and Dean, Faculty of Humanities) and Dr. Anton Jansen (Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Classics) will examine an 8th century document called The Einsiedeln Itinerary. The itinerary is a compendium of walks taken through the city of Rome by a visiting Frankish monk, identifying what he saw. The lecture will identify the author and the occasion of his visit, will follow some of his walks to demonstrate some of the most important and interesting sites, and will conclude with an assessment of the itinerary's purpose.

- Wednesday, March 22 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free



## Cookbook Club



Do you enjoy cooking and want to share your love of food? The Cookbook Club is looking for new members. Try out new recipes and share results, pick up cooking tips and discuss your food experiences with others. Come join our own "food network". The club meets every second month.

- **Gluten-Free**

- Saturday, March 4 • 11am - 12 noon • Merritt Branch

For further details or to register, please call the Merritt Branch at 905-688-6103, ext. 400.



## Cooking 101: Soups

Are you interested in learning how to cook healthy meals? Join us for a fun and interactive session exploring cooking tips and techniques. This presentation will include videos and step-by-step instructions on how to cook soups.

- Thursday, March 30 • 6:30-7:30 pm
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Free

**Please register in advance.**

## Colouring for Adults

Have you seen adult colouring books on display at your local bookstore and wondered what it's all about? Join us and rediscover the simple joy of colouring. Colouring relieves stress and is a fun and relaxing pastime for all ages, regardless of artistic ability. Materials will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own supplies if you wish. Please register in advance.

- Fridays, March 10 and 24 • 2:00 - 3:30 pm
- Central Library, Rotary/Bankers Room • Free

## GETTING YOUR GARDEN READY FOR SPRING

Spring is coming! Join Master Gardener Beckie Fox for expert advice on how to get your garden ready for the new season. She will discuss lawn care, pruning, and soil preparation, and share tips on buying plants, direct seeding, transplanting and dividing. Information about creating spring containers and hardening off seedlings and houseplants will also be provided.

- Tuesday, March 14 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

## Climate Change and Your Lawn

Join Michael Stangl, owner of Stangl's Enviro Lawn Care, and discover how your lawn can become a solution for climate change. Michael will discuss the science behind lawn care, the toxic effects of fertilizer and pesticides, and how you can reduce these toxins. In addition, he will explain how to turn your lawn into a "carbon sink", naturally storing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, and how this practice can improve the health of our environment and ourselves.

- Thursday, March 30 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free



## CANADIAN AUTHORS IN ACTION

### An Evening of Poetry

Award-winning Niagara poets will read selections from their published works. In addition, finalists from the Library's 2016 Fresh Ink Writing Competition for Teens will read their winning poems, as well as students from Brock University. Join us for an evening of literary entertainment and support both published and up-and-coming poets!

- Wednesday, April 5 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

Co-sponsored by the Canadian Authors Association and the St. Catharines Public Library.



### Benefits of Meditation

Join experienced Buddhist practitioner Joanna Cielen and learn how meditation can reduce stress and increase inner peace. Meditation benefits may include improved mental and physical health, more harmonious relationships, and spiritual transformation. Joanna, who teaches meditation classes in St. Catharines, will demonstrate that the art of meditation is a skill that anyone can develop.

- Wednesday, April 12 • 6:30 pm
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Free

**Please register in advance as seating is limited**

## Saturday Morning Author Series

*Co-Sponsored by the Canadian Authors Association, Niagara Branch*

### Ellen Jaffe

Poet Ellen Jaffe will lead this workshop focusing on how a poet works and how poems develop. Ellen will also share some examples demonstrating different ways she has created poems. She will also share a writing exercise and discuss her development as a writer, as well as the poetry that has inspired her own work.

- Saturday, April 22 • 10:00 am - 12:30 pm
- Central Library, Rotary/Bakers Room • Free

**Please register in advance as seating is limited.**

## AUTHOR READING/BOOK SIGNING

### *Besotted: My Love Affair with Wine* by Larry Horne

Motivated by his passion for wine, local author Larry Horne has crafted a rich and colourful memoir documenting his experiences as a wine collector, winemaker, wine grower, and sales manager for Calamus Estate Winery in Jordan, Ontario. Wine and travel enthusiasts alike will enjoy accounts of Larry's wine-tasting experiences in places like California, New Zealand, Italy and France. Join us as Larry discusses his wine "hall of fame", some of his favourite wine encounters, and how his love of wine has influenced his life, career, and travel experiences.

- Thursday, April 27 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

## Stage Your Home with Flair

Are you selling your home, or thinking about selling? Do you have questions on how to prepare your house so that you can receive top dollar and not leave any of your hard earned equity on the table? Join Anna Topolinsky, Certified Professional Home Stager, as she shares tips for staging your home and strategies for receiving the best return on your investment.

- Wednesday, March 1 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free



## ADULT CHESS INSTRUCTION

Are you interested in learning the game of chess or looking for an opportunity to improve your game? Come try your skills at this classic game of strategy.

- Fridays, April 7 – May 19 • 1:00-2:30 pm
- Merritt Branch • Free

For further details or to register, please call the Merritt Branch at 905-688-6103, Ext. 400.

## 30 Something Book Club

Hey 30 Somethings! The Library has created a new monthly book club specifically designed for your age group. Meet and share ideas with other readers.

For more information or to register, please call 905-688-6103 ext. 227.

## FREE CA TAX CLINICS FOR LOW INCOME EARNERS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

*co-sponsored by*

*the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario*

Chartered Accountants have volunteered their services to assist individuals with the preparation of personal income tax returns. **To be eligible**, total household income for earners without dependants must not exceed \$30,000 and total household income for those with dependants must not exceed \$40,000.

- Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evening
- February 22 - March 30

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY, Call 905-688-6103, ext. 211.  
Central Library, Dr. Huq Family Branch and Merritt Branch.

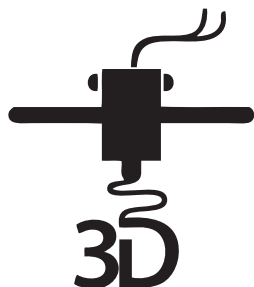
## VOLUNTEER TAX CLINICS

*co-sponsored by Canada Revenue Agency*

Volunteers, trained by Canada Revenue Agency, will be available at the Library to prepare personal income tax returns for low-income earners. **To be eligible**, income must be no more than \$30,000 per year for single individuals and no more than \$40,000 per year for couples. The income limit for a single parent with one child is \$35,000. The limit increases by \$2,500 for each additional dependant. Investment/interest income may not be greater than \$1,000. Appointments available:

- Central Library, Saturday March 11, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Central Library, Saturday April 1, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Call 905-688-6103, ext. 211
- Dr. Huq Family Branch, Saturday March 4, 9:00 am-4:00 pm  
Dr. Huq Family Branch, Saturday April 8, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Call 905-688-6103, ext 300
- Merritt Branch, Saturday, March 18, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Call 905-688-6103, ext 400





## 3D Public Printing

Want to design your own jewellery or make a case for your smartphone? Effective March 1, 3D printing will be available to the public. Bring in your 3D design file (.stl, .obj or .thing) on a USB drive and staff will print it for you.

**Cost of printing** is \$5.00 for all prints up to and including 30 grams of filament, plus an additional \$0.15 for each additional gram. Printing will be done according to the Library's 3D Printing Policy.

If you are interested in learning more about 3D printing, please register for one of our 3D Printing Basics classes listed on page 10.

For further information,  
please call 905-688-6103, Ext. 211.



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to start a chat session. We can help you find:

- information • reference materials
- reading recommendations • other library resources

## Online Nonfiction Book Club

Check out our online nonfiction book club – now hosted through **Goodreads.com**. This **free** online platform gives you the flexibility to participate in a book club despite your busy schedule. New members are always welcome.

### MARCH – When Breath Becomes Air By: Paul Kalanithi

At only thirty-six years of age, neurosurgical resident Paul Kalanithi was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer, and found himself suddenly transformed from doctor to patient. Completed posthumously, this poignant memoir confronts such difficult questions such as: what makes a life worth living in the face of death? What does it mean to bring new life into the world as your own is fading away? *When Breath Becomes Air* is thought-provoking, heartbreaking, and a life-affirming reflection on the challenge of facing our own mortality.

### APRIL – Where Am I Now? By: Mara Wilson

Mara Wilson has always felt a little young and a little out of place: as the only child on a film set full of adults, the first daughter in a house full of boys, the sole clinically depressed member of the cheerleading squad, and one of the few former child actors who has never been in jail or rehab. This book tells the story of one young woman's journey from accidental fame to relative (but happy) obscurity and it also illuminates a universal struggle -- learning to accept yourself, and figuring out who you are and where you belong.

**\*\* New for 2017 \*\***

Online book club members will have  
a chance to win prizes just for participating.  
Visit the website below for more details.

Find login instructions here:  
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for registration assistance,  
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# LIBRARY Hours

## CENTRAL LIBRARY

54 Church Street, L2R 7K2  
905-688-6103,  
fax 905-688-6292

Tues. - Thurs.	10 am - 9 pm
Friday	10 am - 6 pm
Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
Sunday	1:30 pm - 5 pm
	*Oct. - Dec.*
	*Jan. - May*

## DR. HUQ FAMILY LIBRARY BRANCH

425 Carlton Street, L2M 4W8  
905-934-7511

Tues. - Fri.	10 am - 8 pm
Saturday	9 am - 5 pm
Sunday	1:30 pm - 5 pm
	*Oct. - Dec.*
	*Jan. - May*

## MERRITT LIBRARY BRANCH

149 Hartzel Road, L2P 1N6  
905-682-3568

Tues. - Fri.	10 am - 8 pm
Saturday	9 am - 5 pm

## PORT DALHOUSIE LIBRARY BRANCH

23 Brock Street, L2N 5E1  
905-646-0220

Tuesday	1 pm - 8 pm
Thursday	10 am - 8 pm
Saturday	11 am - 4 pm

## Sunday Hours

Central Library  
and

Dr. Huq Family  
Library Branch

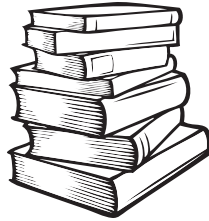
1:30 pm - 5 pm

January 8 - May 7, 2017

Closed Easter Sunday.

## SATURDAY MORNING GARDENING CLINICS

A Master Gardener will be in the  
foyer of the Central Library on  
Saturday, March 4 and Saturday,  
April 1 from 9:30 - 11:30 to answer  
your gardening questions.



## SPRING BOOK SALE

Join us at the Central Library for  
our Spring Mini Book Sale. We will  
have a selection of Non-Fiction,  
Fiction and Children's materials  
available. Stock up on some great  
reading at bargain prices. Most  
items priced 25¢ to \$1.00 with  
some exceptions.

- Saturday, March 25
- 9:15 am - 2:00 pm
- Central Library, Atrium

## ST. CATHARINES PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Regular Meetings  
Central, 54 Church Street  
7:00 pm

Thursday, March 16, 2017

Thursday, April 20, 2017

## ST. CATHARINES PUBLIC LIBRARY MANAGEMENT TEAM

**Lilita Stripnieks**

*Chief Executive Officer*

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*Business Administrator*

**Diane Andrusko**

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*Manager, IT and Networks*

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*Manager, Children's and  
Community Services*

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