

For Children

REGISTRATION FOR PROGRAMS:

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

STORY CORNER

Meet in the Children's area at the Central Library at 11:00 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

Books and Babies (Under 2 years & caregiver)

Share rhymes, songs, fingerplays and books with your child.

- Central, Story Hour Room
- Wednesdays, July 12 – August 9 • 10:15-10:40 am
 - Dr. Huq Family Branch
- Fridays, July 14 – August 11 • 10:15-10:40 am
 - Merritt Library Branch
- Fridays, July 14 – August 11 • 10:15-10:40 am
 - Free

Please register in advance.



TACKLE SHARE SERVICE ATTENTION PARENTS!

Is your child interested in fishing? Introduce them to the joys of the sport by borrowing a youth fishing kit (a rod, tackle box, pail and net) from the library. Appropriate for children 10 years of age and under, the kits are borrowed for 21 days by a parent/guardian with a valid library card. Life vests in sizes for younger children are also available.

This service is available until September 2017 at the Dr. Huq Family Branch (425 Carlton Street), the Merritt Library Branch (149 Hartzel Road) and at the Port Dalhousie Branch (23 Brock Street). This is a joint project between the St. Catharines Public Library and the St. Catharines Game and Fish Association.



Chess Club (Ages 6 - 12)

Do you play chess? Would you like to learn how to play chess? Please join us for a series of chess workshops for both beginners and experienced players.

- Thursdays, July 6-August 10 • 1:00-2:30 pm
- Merritt Branch • Free

Preschool Science Story Time (Ages 3-6 with caregiver)

Each week we will read a book, discuss the science of the story and do a hands-on science activity inspired by the story.

- Thursdays, July 6-27 • 10:30-11:30 am
 - Dr. Huq Family Branch
- Fee: \$5.00 for the 4 week session

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Crafternoons (Ages 10 and under)

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

- Saturdays, July 8, 22, and August 5, 19
- 1:00-3:30 pm • Port Dalhousie Branch • Free

Pyjama Story Time (Ages 5 & under with caregiver)

Oh Canada!

Wear your coziest pyjamas and join us as we celebrate Canada's 150th birthday.

- Thursday, July 13 • 6:30-7:15 pm
- Port Dalhousie Branch • Free

Life's a Beach

Wear your coziest pyjamas and join us for an evening of beachy stories and crafts celebrating the sun and sand.

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

Explore Summer

Wear your coziest pyjamas and discover the great outdoors through exciting stories and crafts.

- Wednesday, August 23 • 6:30-7:15 pm
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Free

Preschool Discovery Lab (Ages 3-6 with caregiver)

Explore different topics such as movement, gravity, materials, sound and music through stories and activities.

- Tuesdays, July 18-August 1 • 10:30-11:15 am
- Merritt Branch • Fee: \$3.00 for the 3-week session

Stories 'N More

(2-4 years & caregiver)

Share stories, songs, fingerplays and a craft with your child.

Central, Story Hour Room

- Fridays, July 14-August 11 • 10:30-11:10 am
 - Dr. Huq Family Branch
- Tuesdays, July 11-August 8 • 10:15-10:55 am
 - Merritt Library Branch
- Wednesdays, July 12-August 9 • 10:30-11:10 am
 - Free

Please register in advance.

Kindergarten 101 (Ages 3-4 with caregiver)

This program is designed for children who are starting Kindergarten in September. With a focus on language, social and personal development, the program will help children prepare for Kindergarten through literacy and musical activities. Caregivers must participate for the last 15 minutes of the program each week. Program runs for 3 weeks. Please register in advance as space is limited.

- Tuesdays, August 15-29 • 10:30-11:15 am
 - Dr. Huq Family Branch • Free
- OR
- Wednesdays, August 16-30 • 10:30-11:15 am
 - Merritt Branch • Free

Summer Programs for Children

Our Summer Program flyer is now available at all St. Catharines Public Library locations, or visit the Library website, www.stcatharines.library.on.ca
REGISTRATION is required for all the programs.

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TOP 10 CANADIAN

Children's Authors

Helaine Becker

Paulette Bourgeois

Geneviève Côté

Marie-Louise Gay

Phoebe Gilman

Jon Klassen

Robert Munsch

Barbara Reid

Kathy Stinson

Melanie Watt

For Tweens

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

(Ages 9-14) **NEW TIME**

If you love video games, this club is for you. Each week we will be playing a variety of competitive and cooperative games.

- Thursdays, July 6, 13, 20 • 3:00 - 4:30 pm
- August 3, 10, 17 • 3:00 - 4:30 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free



Chess Club (Ages 10-14)

Do you play chess? Would you like to learn how to play chess? Please join us for a series of chess workshops for both beginners and experienced players.

- Thursdays, July 6-August 10 • 10:30 am - 12:00 noon
- Merritt Branch • Free

Fresh Ink

17th 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 are available at all Library locations and on the Library's website.

Deadline for submissions is July 31, 2017.