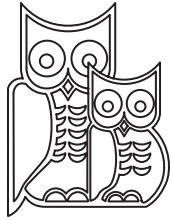


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March/April 2018



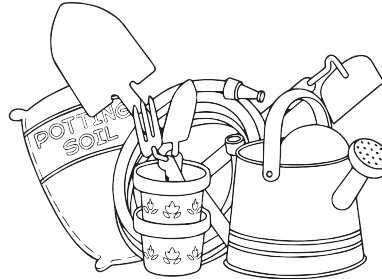
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ST. CATHARINES PUBLIC LIBRARY STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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.



GETTING YOUR GARDEN READY FOR SPRING

A successful garden starts before it is even time to plant. Join Master Gardener Bob Martin for expert advice about getting the garden ready for the spring season. Bob will discuss spring cleanup of perennial gardens, preparing the ground for planting, and things to consider before planting begins. He will also provide information about starting seeds indoors.

- Tuesday, April 10 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

Mapping the Historic Welland Canals one lock at a time - My Stories

Join Colleen Beard, Map Librarian and Head of the Map, Data & GIS Library at Brock University, as she presents her Historic Welland Canals Mapping Project. The project portrays the First, Second, and Third Welland Canals as they appear on today's landscape. Colleen will engage the audience with stories of her mapping adventure and will demonstrate the interactive website where the resulting digital content can be explored.

- Wednesday, March 28 • 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 11:00 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 at 10:15 am
- Port Dalhousie at 2:15 pm

Crafternoons (Ages 10 and under)

Drop in for fun crafts and activities at your own pace. We provide the materials and you let your creativity run wild! Parents or older siblings may need to help younger children with activities. No registration required.

- Saturdays, March 3, 17, 31, and April 14, 28
- 1:00-3:30 pm
- Port Dalhousie • Free

REGISTRATION FOR PROGRAMS:

1. Children must meet the minimum age requirement at the start of the program.
2. Registration is required unless 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.

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 8 and April 12 • 6:30-7:15 pm
- Merritt Branch • Free
- OR
- Saturdays, March 17 and April 21 • 2:15-3:00 pm
- Dr. Huq • Free

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

St. Patrick's Day

Join us as we celebrate St. Patrick's Day with stories, songs and a craft.

- Tuesday, March 13 • 6:30 - 7:15 pm
- Central, Story Hour Room • Free

Spring

Enjoy stories, songs and a craft about spring.

- Tuesday, April 10 • 6:30 - 7:15 pm
- Central, Story Hour Room • Free

New sessions of 'Books & 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.**

For Children

Scoop McCoy's Magic and Comedy Show (Ages 5+ with adult accompaniment)

Scoop McCoy's Magic and Comedy Show is fun, engaging and entertaining for everyone-kids and adults! The show is fast paced and interactive from start to finish and keeps audiences fully entertained. **Every person attending must have a ticket.**

- Tuesday, March 13 • 12:30-1:15pm
- Central, Mills Room • Fee: \$3.00 per person

3D Printing (Ages 5-7 with caregiver)

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. Caregivers need to have a basic knowledge of computers.

- Wednesday, March 14 • 10:30-11:30am
- Central, Learning Resource Centre
- Fee: \$5.00 + HST per child

EGGSTRAVAGANZA! (AGES 8-12)

You're invited to an "eggstraordinary" afternoon at the Library! Join us as we dye eggs, create beautiful egg carton flowers, and snack on delicious chocolate eggs.

- Saturday, March 24 • 2:30-3:30 pm
- Dr. Huq • Fee: \$4.00

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.

- Wednesday, March 14 • 2:00-3:00 pm
- Wednesday, March 14 • 3:30-4:30 pm
- Saturday, April 7 • 2:00-3:00 pm
- Saturday, April 18 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Central, Learning Resource Centre
- Fee: \$5.00 + HST

Easter STEM Experiments (Ages 6-10)

Try some STEM experiments with an Easter twist: jelly bean structures, erupting plastic eggs, and other activities using Easter goodies.

- Saturday, March 24 • 2:30 - 3:30 pm
- Central, Story Hour Room • Fee: \$3.00

Pyjama Story Time (Ages 5 & under with caregiver)

Wear your coziest pyjamas and join us for an evening of fun stories and cool crafts.

Oceans

- Wednesday, March 28 • 6:30-7:15 pm
- Dr. Huq • Free

Vacations

- Wednesday April 25 • 6:30-7:15 pm
- Dr. Huq • Free



Chess Club (Ages 6 - 9)

Sharpen your chess playing skills by joining the Chess Club. Membership is for children who already play chess. Space is limited. Please register in advance.

- Tuesdays, April 3-May 8 • 4:00-5:30 pm
- Merritt • Free

For Children

PAINT BY STICKER (AGES 6-11)

Just like paint-by-numbers, you can create your own beautiful work of art using stickers.

- Wednesday, April 4 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Merritt • Fee: \$3.00

Taste Test Challenge (Ages 8-12)

Triumph over the blindfold challenge, become the great chip champ and conquer the gross out challenge to become the ultimate taste tester!

- Friday, April 13 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Merritt • Fee: \$4.00

GET BACK TO NATURE (AGES 6-11)

In celebration of Earth Day, get back to nature at the Library with fun, environmentally friendly STEM activities. Create a soda bottle terrarium, a bee condo, and learn how to tie-dye flowers.

- Friday, April 20 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Dr. Huq • Fee: \$4.00

Turtle Power: Coding with Logo (Ages 5-8 with caregiver)

Start learning to code with Logo, a fun and simple coding language. Make your turtle move to create colourful shapes and unique designs, learning some core coding concepts along the way. Caregiver must have a basic knowledge of computers.

- Saturday, April 21 • 2:30-3:30 pm
- Central, Learning Resource Centre • Free

Lemonade Club (Ages 6-12)

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 25-May 30 • 4:00-4:45 pm
- Merritt • Free

Rainbow Crafts (ages 5-9)

Learn about the science of rainbows and make some colourful rainbow-themed crafts.

- Thursday, April 26 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Central, Story Hour Room • Fee \$1.00

CLASS VISITS @



ST. CATHARINES PUBLIC LIBRARY

**For Schools, Day Cares
and Home School Families**

The Library offers class visit programs throughout the year at all Library locations. Please call 905-688-6103 ext. 252 or email classvisit@stcatharines.library.on.ca to arrange a custom tour or program for your group.

**MARCH BREAK PROGRAMS will be offered from March 10-17.
Brochures are available at all Library locations or visit the Library's website.
Space is limited, so please register in advance.**

For Tweens

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

(Ages 8-13) **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, March, 1, 8 15 • 3:30 - 4:30 pm
- Thursdays, April 5, 12, 19 • 3:30 - 4:30 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

ORIGAMI CLUB (AGES 9-14)

Create amazing paper sculptures through the ancient art of origami. No experience is required. Please note that the club will not meet in April.

- Saturday March 10 • 1:00-2:30 pm
- Dr. Huq • Free



ATTENTION TEACHERS **Research Skills Development** **For Grade 8 Students**

Prepare your students for high school by introducing them to research and information resources (print and electronic) available at the library. We are now booking into early June 2018.

Call 905-688-6103, ext. 228
for further information or to book a visit.

Zipline Racers Tournament **(Ages 9-14)**

Test your engineering ability against others. Use all your skills to create a unique zipline racer using everyday items and race it against others.

- Saturday, March 31 • 2:30-3:30 pm
- Central Library, Story Hour Room • Fee: \$2.00

Chess Club (Ages 10-14)

Sharpen your chess playing skills by joining the Chess Club. Membership is for children who already play chess. Space is limited. Please register in advance.

- Tuesdays, April 3-May 8 • 6:00-7:30 pm
- Merritt • Free

Custom Creations **(Ages 9-14)**

Customize your cozy comforts! Personalize your hot chocolate mug with cool designs and create a bookmark to keep your page in style.

- Wednesday, April 18 • 4:00-5:00 pm
- Merritt • Fee: \$3.00

MUSIC IS MY JAM **(AGES 9-14)**

Do you have a deep connection to music? Explore the ways that music and art can blend as you make paintings based on the songs to which we listen.

- Saturday, April 28 • 2:30-3:30 pm
- Dr. Huq • Fee: \$2.00

For Teens

The Write Stuff (Ages 11-16)

Do you have something to say? Want to learn how to write or improve your poetry, short stories or even a novel? If you've got "the write stuff", join other young writers and take your creative writing to the next level.

- Thursday, March 15 and April 19 • 7:00 - 9:00 pm
 - Central Library • Story Hour Room • Free
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BookShare (Ages 12-16)

Teens, have you just finished an amazing book that you just have to talk about? Join other teens as we share recent amazing reads and recommend these books to each other.

- Saturday, March 17 • 2:15 - 3:15 pm
- Saturday, April 14 • 2:15 - 3:15 pm
- Central Library, Story Hour Room • Free

Teen Advisory Council (Ages 12 -18)

Teen Advisory Council members!

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

- Thursday, April 12 • 7:00 - 8:30 pm
 - Central Library, Story Hour Room • Free
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GARDEN ART WIND CHIMES (AGES 11-16)

Embrace spring and get ready for summer by creating wind chimes for your garden or a sun catcher for your room.

- Saturday, April 28 • 2:30 - 3:30 pm
- Central Library, Story Hour Room
- Fee: \$2.00 + HST

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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.

Computer Programs

Recommended for ages 15 and above.

- You must register for all courses with the exception of Tech Time.
- All programs are held at the Central Library unless otherwise noted.
- For information or to register, please call 905-688-6103, ext 211.
- Sessions may be cancelled if courses are not filled.
- Handouts for the free classes are \$2.00

BEGINNER'S COMPUTER COURSES

Computer Basics

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.

Central Library

- Wednesday, March 14 • 6:30-8:30 pm
- Friday, March 9, April 13 • 10:00 am-12 noon
- Friday, March 2, April 6 • 2:00-4:00 pm

Dr. Huq Family Branch

- Wednesday, March 21 • 2:00-4:00 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 21 • 6:30-8:00 pm
- Friday, March 16, April 20 • 10:00-11:30 am
- Friday, March 9, April 13 • 2:00-3:30 pm

Dr. Huq Family Branch

- Wednesday, April 4 • 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.

- Wednesday, March 28 • 6:30-8:00 pm
- Friday, March 23, April 27 • 10:00-11:30 am
- Friday, March 16, April 20 • 2:00-3:30 pm
- Free

Internet 3

Focus your searches to find great websites. Learn how 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, April 4 • 6:30-8:00 pm
- Friday, March 2, April 6 • 10:00-11:30 am
- Friday, March 23, April 27 • 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, RBdigital, 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 28, April 18 • 2:00-4:00 pm

Dr. Huq Family Branch

- Thursday, April 26 • 10:00 am-12 noon

Merritt Branch

- Thursday, March 8 • 1:00-3:00 pm
- Free

Downloadable Magazines 101

Learn how to download free digital magazines to your computer, tablet, and/or smartphone from **RBdigital**. **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.

- Thursday, April 19 • 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 15 • 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 26 • 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.

- Tuesday, April 17 • 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.

- Thursday, March 22 • 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*. Pre-registration is required.

- Thursday, March 29 • 2:00-3:30 pm
- Fee: \$5.00 + HST

Microsoft 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.

- Thursday, April 5 • 2:00-4:00 pm
- Fee: \$10.00 + HST

Microsoft Excel Advanced

Learn about advanced formatting options in **Microsoft Excel 2010** and how to sort, filter and graph the information on a spreadsheet. Prerequisite: Experience with Microsoft Excel or *Microsoft Excel Basics*. Pre-registration is required.

- Thursday, April 12 • 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.

- Tuesday, March 27 • 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.

- Tuesday, April 3 • 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.

- Tuesday, April 10 • 2:00-3:30 pm
 - Wednesday, March 7 • 6:30-8:00 pm
 - Fee: \$5.00 + HST
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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.

- Wednesday, April 25 • 6:30-7:30 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 one of our 3D printers 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 6 • 2:00-3:30 pm
- Wednesday, April 11 • 6:30-8:00 pm
- Free

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

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 24 • 2:00-3:30 pm
- Wednesday, April 18 • 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 14
• 10:00 - 12:00 noon • Free
- Dr. Huq Family Branch • Saturday, March 24
• 9:30 - 11:30 am • Free
- Merritt Branch • Saturday, April 21
• 9:30 - 11:30 am • Free

AUTHOR READING/BOOK SIGNING

***The Polar Adventures
of a Rich American Dame:
A Life of Louise Arner Boyd*
by Joanna Kafarowski**

After inheriting a staggering family fortune in her thirties, Louise Arner Boyd achieved international notoriety as a rugged and audacious polar explorer while maintaining her flamboyant lifestyle as a leading philanthropist and society woman. Yet, despite organizing, financing and directing seven daring Arctic expeditions between 1926 and 1955, she is virtually unknown today. Join us as Dr. Joanna Kafarowski, Canadian geographer and lecturer, discusses her recent book *The Polar Adventures of a Rich American Dame: A Life of Louise Arner Boyd* and explores Boyd's fascinating life.

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

Brock Talks

Please join us for another exciting series of talks with Brock University's Faculty of Humanities. Professors will speak about their fascinating areas of research from a wide range of disciplines!

**Violence and Contagion
in Early Modern Italy
Dr. Colin Rose**

What pushes societies to violence? Historically, homicide rates have fluctuated alongside other markers of social peace, such as stable government and acceptance of powerful institutions. When governments fail or institutions crumble, violence can spread rapidly. Using the example of a major plague and its fallout in seventeenth-century Bologna, Italy, Dr. Colin Rose discusses how strong social institutions are critical to the maintenance of low levels of violence and demonstrates what can happen when those institutions fail to respond to societal crises effectively.

- Tuesday, March 13 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

More Brock Talks to be announced!

ROLE OF EXECUTORS

Are you the executor of a will, or seeking information on the estate planning process, roles and responsibilities? Please join Certified Financial Planner Lance Wiebe to learn more about what it means to be an executor. Lance will also discuss financial planning advice for retirement.

- Wednesday, March 21 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

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 a single earner must not exceed \$30,000 and total household income for two persons in a family must not exceed \$40,000. The limit increases by \$2,500 for each additional dependent in a family unit. Investment/interest income may not be greater than \$1,000.

- Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evening
- February 21 – March 29

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**, total household income for a single earner must not exceed \$30,000 and total household income for two persons in a family must not exceed \$40,000. The limit increases by \$2,500 for each additional dependent in a family unit. Investment/interest income may not be greater than \$1,000. Appointments available:

- Central Library, Saturday March 10, 9:00am-4:00pm
Central Library, Saturday April 7, 9:00am –4:00pm
Call 905-688-6103, ext. 211
- Dr. Huq Family Branch, Saturday March 3, 9:00am-4:00pm
Dr. Huq Family Branch, Saturday April 14, 9:00am-4:00pm
Call 905-688-6103, ext 300
- Merritt Branch, Saturday, March 17, 9:00am-4:00pm
Call 905-688-6103, ext 400

Afternoons for Adults

Osteoporosis

Chris Esposito, volunteer on the Board of the Niagara Chapter of Osteoporosis Canada, will talk about the difference between osteoporosis and osteo-arthritis, how and when you can get your bone density assessed, how much calcium you require and some ideas to help prevent fractures.

- Tuesday, April 10, 2018 • 2:00 pm
- Central, Mills Room

End of Life Planning

The best time to think about your preferences for future medical care is when you are well and able. This presentation will guide you through the process of determining your personal preferences. You will be given an Advance Care Planning Kit to take home with you to fill out in the privacy of your home (included in the cost of the program). Please register in advance.

- Tuesday April 24, 2018 • 2:00 pm
- Central, Mills Room • Fee: \$5.00 + HST

LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Join fellow book lovers at the Library's monthly book club meetings. Space is available at Central's book clubs, Merritt's Wednesday afternoon and Dr. Huq's Thursday evening book club.

For more information, please call:
Central – 905-688-6103, ext. 227
Dr. Huq – 905-688-6103, ext. 300
Merritt – 905-688-6103, ext. 400

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 2017 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 4 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

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

**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 6 - May 11 • 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.

GREAT WAR CENTENARY SERIES

In recognition of the 100th anniversary of the First World War, the St. Catharines Public Library will continue to host a variety of exciting historical programs related to the conflict. Please join us for a series of fascinating talks as we commemorate the achievements and sacrifices of Canadians in the Great War.

April 1915:**Canada's Baptism of Fire and Germany's Missed Opportunity**

The first recorded use of Poison Gas on the Western Front during The Great War was by the Imperial German Army in mid-April 1915 at the Second Battle of Ypres. Canada's untried and untested soldiers were enveloped by a yellow-greenish cloud of choking and stinking deadly gas. Jim Doherty of the Niagara Military Museum will look at both sides of No Man's Land during the battle with special mention of the 10th Battery (St. Catharines) and St. Catharines-born Fred Fisher, Victoria Cross recipient.

- Wednesday, April 18 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

**The St. Catharines Public Library**

is on **Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest**

Keep up-to-date with all of the latest news, events and collections by clicking the Facebook & Twitter & Pinterest links on our homepage under "Connect With Us"

at **www.stcatharines.library.on.ca**.

Saturday Author Series

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

Painting Poetry and Prose

Join the Canadian Authors Association, Niagara Branch, to view paintings that have been inspired by poems & prose and to also hear poems that have been inspired by paintings. View 40 original pieces of art, poetry and stories with brief personal descriptions of the experience from the perspective of the writers and artists.

- Saturday, April 21 • 1:00 to 4:00 pm
- Central Library, Mills Room • Free

DIY Naturally:

Body and Home Care

Find out how easy it is to create your own body care products, cleaning supplies and natural bug spray. Join Dani Comfort as she demonstrates how to make a very simple body scrub, bathroom cleaner and a bug spray. All participants will take home small samples of both a body scrub and a bathroom cleaner.

- Tuesday, April 24 • 7:00 pm
- Central Library, Rotary/Bankers Room
- Fee: \$5:00+HST

Please register in advance as seating is limited.

BOOKS TO GO and HOLDS TO GO

@ Seymour-Hannah

Sports and Entertainment Centre

240 ST PAUL STREET WEST

Open daily 6:30 am to 11:00 pm

Excluding Holidays

BOOKS TO GO is a mini-library kiosk located in the main entrance of the Seymour-Hannah Sports and Entertainment Centre. It is accessible during Seymour-Hannah's open hours.

In order to borrow items, you must be 12 years and older, have a valid St. Catharines Public Library card and know your PIN, typically the last 4 digits of your phone number.

HOLDS TO GO is a new service which allows St. Catharines Public Library patrons to request items from the Library's online catalogue and have them sent to the self-service holds locker(s) for pick up. In order to place and pick up holds, you will need a valid SCPL Library card and PIN, typically the last 4 digits of your phone number.

For more details on **BOOKS TO GO** and **HOLDS TO GO**, please pick up the brochures at any SCPL Branch, visit our website www.stcatharines.library.on.ca or call 905-688-6103, Ext. 210.

CONVERT YOUR VHS TAPES TO DVDs



You can now convert your personal VHS tapes to DVDs at the Central Library. The entire VHS tape or selected segments can be converted. Please note that the equipment will perform the conversion but it cannot change or improve upon the image on the VHS tape. Commercially produced tapes cannot be converted.

For more information or to book an appointment, please call the Adult Information Services Department at 905-688-6103, Ext. 211.



Download Magazines from the Library's website

- Enjoy the complete digital editions of your favourite magazines
- Over 100 titles available, including magazines for adults, teens and children
- Download as many as you want - there are no holds or due dates
- No waiting or check out periods
- Read your magazines anytime, anywhere - on your PC, Mac or mobile device.
- Visit the Library's website at www.stcatharines.library.on.ca

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Digital Comics,

Graphic Novels and eBooks!

You can now stream or download comics, graphic novels, and eBooks through the Library's Hoopla digital service, in addition to music, movies and television shows. The content is always available, can be borrowed for up to 21 days and there are no waiting lists. All you need is an email address and a valid SCPL card to use Hoopla.

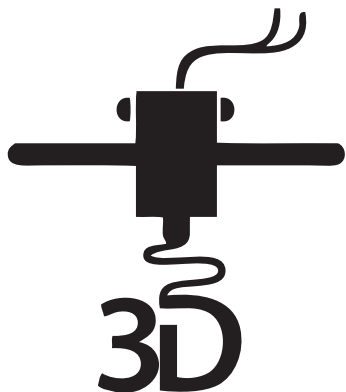


Get research help from anywhere!

Click on the

"Chat with us" button on the Library's website at www.stcatharines.library.on.ca to start a chat session. We can help you find:

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



3D Public Printing

Want to design your own jewellery or make a case for your smartphone? 3D printing is now 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+HST 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.

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

Find it Online! AutoMate

Want to take the guesswork out of car repair? Check out AutoMate for accurate, authoritative and up-to-date service and repair information for thousands of domestic and imported vehicles. This resource contains the step-by-step instructions and useful diagrams you need to tackle vehicle maintenance and repairs. Click on the **Online Resources** tab on the library's website and select the **Car & Vehicle Repair** category to access this extensive and invaluable resource.

Online Nonfiction Book Club

Check out our online nonfiction book club 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 – Because I Was a Girl: True Stories for Girls of All Ages By: Melissa de la Cruz

This book shares the personal accounts of a diverse group of women and girls overcoming the challenges and obstacles encountered because of their gender, oftentimes breaking new ground in fields where women were not welcome. With this book, Melissa de la Cruz presents an inspiring collection of true stories from CEOs, entrepreneurs, bestselling authors, bankers, and scientists as well as girls and young women who are already leaders, paving the way for future generations.

APRIL – The Lost City of the Monkey God By: Donald Preston

This real-life archaeological adventure story explores a 500-year-old legend of a lost city in the Honduran interior. Indigenous tribes claim the sacred city is protected and that any invaders will be cursed. In 2012, Preston set out on an expedition with a team of scientists to find the Lost City of the Monkey God. Preston and his team encountered treacherous conditions, deadly animals, and beautiful wilderness in their quest. This suspenseful and dramatic adventure is a true account of an amazing discovery.

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:
<http://www.stcatharines.library.on.ca/index.php/services/book-clubs>

Email us at
onlinenonfiction@stcatharines.library.on.ca
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.
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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
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1:30 pm - 5 pm

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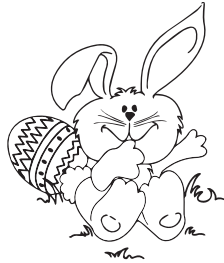
Closed Easter Sunday.

ST. CATHARINES PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Regular Meetings
Central, 54 Church Street
7:00 pm

Thursday, March 15, 2018

Thursday, April 19, 2018



Easter Library Hours All Locations

◇ Closed ◇

Friday, March 30, 2018

◇ Regular Hours ◇

Saturday, March 31, 2018

◇ Closed ◇

Sunday, April 1, 2018

SATURDAY MORNING GARDENING CLINICS

A Master Gardener will be in the
foyer of the Central Library on
Saturday, March 3 and Saturday,
April 7 from 9:30 - 11:30 to
answer your gardening questions.

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