

WHAT'S ON

July & August • 2025

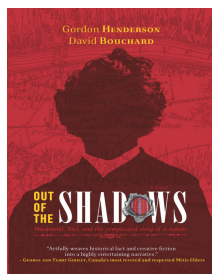


GORDON HENDERSON AUTHOR VISIT

July 25, 11:00am

Join us for a reading, followed by a question and answer session about his books!

Coffee, tea, and pastries provided.

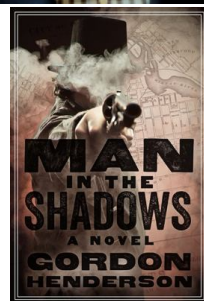


Out of the Shadows

Set during the dramatic Red River Resistance of 1869-1870 and the birth of Manitoba, the novel is told through the perspective of a young Irish-Canadian journalist, Conor O'Dea. Under mysterious circumstances, after working for the assassinated politician D'Arcy McGee, O'Dea is sent West, and to Sir John A. Macdonald's horror befriends Louis Riel. Macdonald never understood Louis Riel and never really tried to.

Please RSVP

Signed copies of his books will be available for purchase.



TALL PINE TALES

July 30, 6:00pm

With light refreshments

An evening event showcasing readings by established and emerging writers from Muskoka.

They will present a variety of genres including historical fiction, poetry, humorous personal anecdotes, suspenseful short stories, and novel excerpts. It's the 12th annual event and a great evening's entertainment!



Admission by donation.

NEEDLE FELTED PILLOW WORKSHOP

July 24, 6:00pm

Adults & Teens 13+

\$60 includes all materials

With Felt Muskoka

You'll create your very own needle felted pillow customized to your favourite colours and the words or images you design. Match your decor! Create a one-of-a-kind gift for that unique someone! No experience necessary and all materials supplied including the pillow form to stuff it at the end.

Danielle will help you through the entire process. **Please sign up.**



GRANNY SQUARE CROCHET WORKSHOP

August 14, 6:00pm

Adults & Teens 13+

\$5 all materials supplied

Learn to crochet a Granny Square while you learn the basics of crochet. Turn your square into a cute little pouch—great for a purse or a pocket. Customize your square with yarn colour choices and with how you order the colours. We'll have a selection of yarn colours available but feel free to bring your own (size 4 acrylic recommended for beginners). Hooks (5mm) provided for use too.



Please sign up.

EMBROIDERED CANVAS WORKSHOP

August 30, 6:00pm

Adults & Teens 13+

\$5 all materials supplied

Come paint a cozy canvas with a little embroidered cup – perfect to display beside your favourite place to curl up and read while you sip a coffee or tea!



Customize the canvas to your colour choices. A fun way to learn a simple embroidery stitch while you create your own artwork
All materials supplied. No experience needed.

Please sign up.

CREATIVITY CORNER

This special cabinet holds all sorts of creative tools— Cricut Maker for paper or vinyl crafts, sewing machine, button maker, jewelry making pliers and tools, watercolour paints and paper, Procreate digital illustration app, Ivy sticker printer, and more!

How does it work?

1. Get oriented at a personal orientation session. We'll show you what's in the cabinet, go over the expected practices, where and how to track your material use and the associated pricing.
2. Book a time during most library open hours to get creative on your own project.

Please contact us to book your time.

Adults must accompany those under 16



WHAT'S ON SUMMER 2025

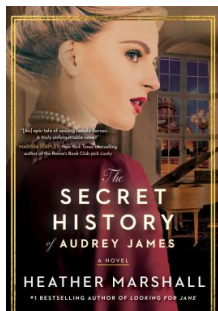
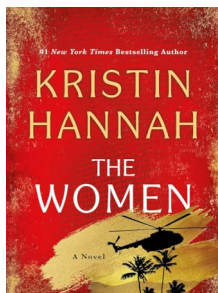
BOOK CLUB

Last Thursday of the month
at 10:00am

July 31, August 28

Read the book and come
talk about it—your
impressions, your reactions.
Always a fascinating
discussion. Contact us to
join.

July: *The Women*, by Kristin
Hannah
August: *The Secret History*
of Audrey James, by
Heather Marshall



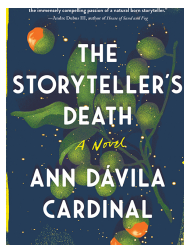
BIG LIBRARY READ

Available in your Libby app with
no waitlists or holds:

July 17 to 21, 2025

*The Storyteller's
Death* by Ann
Dávila Cardinal

Isla discovers she
has a gift (or
curse?) passed
down through her family's
cuentistas.



BIG
LIBRARY
READ

TECH TUTOR

Need to learn how to use your PC
or phone? Learn how to get email
or create a calendar event? Get
on social media? We'll help. Make
an appointment so we can set a
time to help.



MAH JONGG

Join this informal group to play
— or learn to play — this
ancient game. It's never too late
to try something new. A great
way to socialize while you
strategize. Everyone welcome.

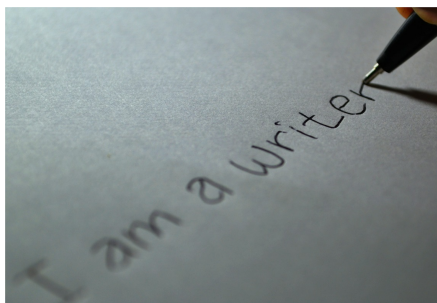
Most **Wednesdays** at 1:00pm
Free!



WRITER'S CIRCLE

Writers of all genres meet the **last
Wednesday of the month at 9:30am** in
the library. Get feedback on your writing
from your writing peers.

For more info, contact the library.



WHAT DO OWLS EAT? WORKSHOP

July 15, 2:00pm or 3:00pm
Ages 4 to 13



Learn about owls and the features that make them extraordinary



predators. Dissect a real owl pellet to find digested skeletons and see what prey that owl ate.

Free • Sign Up Required

Sign up by July 8 to guarantee a spot

BUCKET DRUMMING WORKSHOP

July 18, 2:00pm



Hilary from **Crash Rhythm** puts on the ultimate bucket drumming workshop! You won't believe how good bucket drums sound. Explore rhythms, tempo, volume and more while you learn basic drumming skills. Bucket and drumsticks provided for the workshop.

Free • All Ages • Please Sign up

TWEEN CRAFTS Ages 9+ Free Please Sign Up

Two dates for each to choose from!

Potion Jars

July 29
&
Aug 26

4:00pm
to
5:00pm

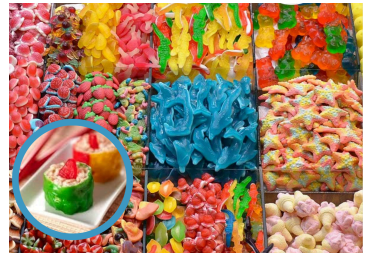


Craft up a cloud potion and a "magical" colour changing potion. Create the tag with your potion's mysterious name and purpose. Makes a super cool summer souvenir!

Candy Sushi

July 16
&
Aug 12

4:00pm
to
5:00pm



Make your own candy sushi! We've got all the ingredients, instructions and ideas to create your very own sushi platter -- made of candy. Sweet tooth required!

BUGS IN THE MUD

July 30, 1:30pm
Ages 4 to 13



Discover What's Hiding Beneath the Surface!

Join the District of Muskoka's Biological Monitoring Team for a hands-on, muddy, and exciting exploration of local lakes and rivers! This is an interactive program that lets you get up close with real aquatic insects and learn how they tell us about water quality and the health of our ecosystems.

Please sign up.



STORY TIME

Tuesdays July & August

10:30am-11:00am

Or

11:30am-12:00pm

Ages 0 to 5



Join us for songs, stories, bubbles, lap bounces and parachute play followed by an art activity and outdoor free play. On rainy days we'll meet inside the library multi purpose room.

AMANDA'S EXOTIC ANIMALS



July 31, 2:00pm
Bring the Family

Slithery, slinky & furry fun with Amanda's Exotic Animals! Get up close and personal with some amazing, exotic creatures, learn fascinating facts, and make memories.



KIDS' SUMMER SCIENCE CLUB MOST THURSDAYS, @ 2:00pm AGES 4 +

Super science themed fun and activities!

- July 3, Oil and Water
- July 10, Aluminum Foil Boats
- July 17, Kinetic Sand
- July 24, Bubble Wands
- August 7, Volcanoes
- August 14, Rainbow Magic
- August 21, Scavenger Hunt
- August 28, Dinosaur Fossil Ornaments

**Pre-registration is appreciated,
but drop-ins welcome too while
supplies last.**

Materials for these children's
programs sponsored by the
Baysville Friends of the Library



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KIDS' CRAFTS

Ages 6+ Free

Please Sign Up

Same program, 2 chances to make it!

CLOTHESPIN BUTTERFLIES

July 8 or Aug 5

2:00-3:00pm



Did you know there are more than 150 different types of butterflies in Ontario? Using a clothespin and paper we'll help you decorate your very own flapping butterfly to take home.

DRAGON FIRE BLOWER

July 22 or August 19

2:00-3:00pm



Get ready to huff and puff! We've got all the supplies to help you craft up your very own dragon that you make blow "fire!"

HANNAH SHIRA NAIMAN

August 6
1:00pm

Free! Ages 4 and up. Please Sign Up.



Hannah draws her repertoire from folk music and dance traditions in English and in French.

A multi-instrumentalist, Hannah plays clawhammer banjo, oldtime fiddle, ukulele and guitar. Move and groove!

FAMILY BINGO

Fridays, July 11, 25
August 8, 22

3:00pm



What can we say?
It's the classic game
of classic fun!

Bring the whole
family and try your
luck. We supply the
bingo cards and the
bingo chips. A great
way to cool off on a
hot summer afternoon. Snackish prizes.

MAKE IT MOVE WITH SCIENCE NORTH

August 20
1:30pm to 4:00pm

**Free! All ages. Drop in and go at
your own pace.**



Buckle up your seat belt! Join
Science North as we explore all
things that move with 6 hands on
tables filled with interactive
activities.

From building and testing race
cars, exploring the physics of
catapults,
and learning
about human
movement,
this exhibit is
sure to excite

engineers of all ages!



STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER

What happens in the library at night?

We're inviting your stuffed animals for a sleepover party! Drop off your fuzzy friend and they'll spend the night! Pick up your buddy the next day. We'll watch a slide show of their adventures before you take your buddy back home.

Two sleepovers this summer:

DROP OFF: Tuesday, July 22 before 5:00pm

PICK UP: Wednesday, July 23 at 3:30pm

or

DROP OFF: Thursday, August 21 before 5:00pm

PICK UP: Friday, August 22 at 12:00pm



**All Stuffed
Animals
Welcome**

Free!

TERRIFIC TECH TO BORROW FOR KIDS...

Get your kids entertained with no internet needed. The



Yoto children's audio player plays audiobooks or music. Yoto story cards to borrow too. The **Leap Pad** Learning Tablets come loaded with learning games for children. Check them out!



TD STORYWALK®

All summer long*

Outdoors. Start near the library entrance.



Let's Go! is a book that celebrates skateboarding, family, and community.

Read this story

set out on signposts as you walk around the library park.

***StoryWalk will be set up once construction of the Splash Pad in the park is completed.**



BAYSVILLE READ & BEAD

More Reads More Beads



At the Baysville branch, sign up for the TD Summer Reading program to get your TD reading materials plus your free Read & Bead Tracker kit. Start your necklace with a library pendant then customize from there. Keep track of

your 10-minute reading blocks, show us your progress to earn different levels and styles of beads to decorate your necklace your way. Plus earn ballots to enter the prize prize. Draws July 31 and August 30.



LIBRARY OF THINGS

The library has THINGS you can borrow with your library card. Here are some of the things you can check out:

Cognitive Care Kits Cognitive care activity kits support the idea that providing and engaging in meaningful activities enhances the life of people living with dementia. Kits based on puzzle, artist, games, and sensory stimulation.



Music for All

Our **Boomwhacker** bag has the music making whacking tubes and a songbook so you can make your own music—no experience required! And the **Learn Ukulele Kit** is a ukulele along with a book to teach yourself how to play.



Get Fit, Get Out There!



Did you know you can borrow an **Ontario Parks Vehicle Day pass** from the library? All you need is your library card.

Enjoy the great outdoors! These park passes can be borrowed for 3 days.

Our **Adult Field Pack** is a great companion to the pass. It's got pocket

field guides to wildlife and binoculars. Check out the **Kids' Nature Backpacks** too!



What does 10,000 steps looks like for you? Want to know how long or how well you slept last night? Interested in your stress level?

Find out by borrowing our **Fitbit Charge 5** for a week at a time.

They're cleaned after each use in a UV sanitizer. Give it a try to see what they're all about.

BORROW PUZZLES

Do you like to do puzzles? Find 200, 300, 500, and 1000 piece puzzles, and many pleasing scenes, to suit your puzzling style. Kids' puzzles too!



LIBRARY ONLINE



Thousands of books, movies, TV shows, music, audiobooks, magazines, or genealogy databases –

most available 24/7 from the comfort of your home. Get links and how-to info from our website.

BOOK THE POD

Book our quiet pod to take an online class, make a phone call, or enjoy some quiet work or study time.

The pod is wheelchair accessible,

and can fit up to four people so it's perfect for a meeting too. Contact us to make a reservation for priority or try by chance.



WE THANK THE LAKE OF BAYS TOWNSHIP AND THE BAYSVILLE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY FOR GENEROUSLY SUPPORTING OUR PROGRAMS AND MATERIALS.

Remember to stop in at the library for:

- The latest bestsellers
- DVDs both new and classic
- Children's books
- Children's DVDs
- Teen book collection
- Magazines
- Audiobooks
- eBooks through Libby and Hoopla
- Movies to download or stream through Hoopla and Kanopy
- Muskoka history books

Plus we offer these services:

- Free WiFi
- Public computers
- Photocopies
- Printing
- Laminating
- Fax
- Scanning
- Ancestry Library edition
- Privacy Pod



"Stripes Gone Wild"
Hand Knit Blanket+ Raffle
Tickets at the library.
A Friends' fundraiser for the
Baysville branch library!

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Get social with us on



HOURS:

Tues & Thurs: 12:00pm to 7:00pm

Wed & Fri: 11:00am to 5:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am to 2:00pm

Closed Sundays & Mondays

Closed Tuesday, July 1



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