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The Marrow Thieves

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THE MARROW THIEVES

The bone marrow of Indigenous people is the only cure for the non-Indigenous population’s lost ability to dream. Sixteen-year-old Frenchie and his band of survivors are on the run, heading north toward remembered homelands, teaching each other their knowledge and relearning the traditions.

Borrow The Marrow Thieves in Print, eBook and eAudio.

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AN EVENING WITH CHERIE DIMALINE

Monday, March 4 | 7 pm
Central Library | Wolf Performance Hall

Look for great ONE BOOK ONE LONDON workshops and events on page 24 the program listings

Read our interview with Cherie Dimaline page 8

About the Cover Artist:

Jenna Rose Sands is a Cree Ojibwe artist who lives in London. The mixed media work on the cover was created as her response to The Marrow Thieves, which Jenna Rose read this spring with her book club. The original artwork is on display at Central Library through March 2019. Learn more about Jenna Rose and the workshops she will offer this winter at www.lpl.ca/onebook.
Fixing a Broken World
Dystopian fiction for young adults is everywhere! Why are tales set in post-apocalyptic worlds so appealing? One idea is that we can enter a broken, chaotic world and live vicariously through a hero (or heroine, as there are many female protagonists in the genre) who endures and survives, generally providing some resolution that offers hope for the future. Another view says that dystopian fiction is akin to myth and fairytale, with the protagonist propelled into a hero’s journey of adventure and danger that mirrors his or her inner, psychological journey of coping with life’s big events – loss, betrayal and death, but also love, connection and finding purpose.

SPOILER ALERT! In The Marrow Thieves, Frenchie experiences the loss of family and faces near death before finding a community with others who have survived. Finding his way and purpose among them, he learns that they mean everything to him and where there is community, there is hope.

If You Like The Marrow Thieves ...

Try these books by Canadian Indigenous authors and find more recommended reads in our catalogue by searching Library Spotlight: Indigenous Reads. Watch for our discussion guides promoting One Book One London and The Marrow Thieves that provide conversation starters for book clubs and other groups, and raise awareness of Canadian Indigenous authors and voices. The guides will be included in The Marrow Thieves Book Club in a Bag sets and used as part of our outreach to schools and teachers.

Moon of the Crusted Snow
Waubgeshig Rice
In a post-apocalyptic setting in a small northern Anishinaabe community, a group of young friends cope with the invasion of visitors, rising tensions, and hunger and illness by turning to the land and their traditions.

The Pact
David Alexander Robertson
Illustrator: Scott B. Henderson
One of the 7 Generations series of graphic novels telling Indigenous stories and history, including this family story about the legacy of residential schools. Also look for Robertson’s The Reckoner novel series.

The Break
Katherena Vermette
Shifting narratives from several characters tell the stories of the events leading up to a fateful night while providing a larger picture of the lives of residents in Winnipeg’s North End.

#NotYourPrincess
Lisa Charleyboy and Mary Beth Leatherdale (Editors)
The powerful voices of Indigenous women resound in this eclectic collection of poems, essays, interviews and art.

Fire Song
Adam Garnet Jones
Shane struggles to cope with the suicide of his little sister while dealing with his deep feelings for his best friend and fearing a future of poverty and shame.

Adults Love YA Fiction!
Young Adult literature is marketed to teens but 55% of YA readers are adults! There are lots of reasons to love YA! Number one: it’s well written and the genre is being recognized for exciting and thoughtful stories and the diversity of its protagonists. The universality of the coming-of-age story is another draw, as is the hard, serious subject matter that lets us all delve into what it’s like emotionally to be a young person today. Then there’s the theory that it all goes back to Harry Potter, popular with every kind of reader, opening the YA door to adults.
IT'S EASY BEING GREEN
Using Free Technology at The Labs

Teacher Jane Hardy from Westminster Secondary School brought her Grade 12 students on a class visit to the Media Lab at Central Library in October to introduce them to new resources available for creative projects. Alan Thomson, our Digital Literacy Facilitator at The Labs, taught them all about Green Screens, walking them through the process of creating a video set in a distant locale without stepping outside of the room. Alan filmed them enacting a scene in front of the blank green wall and showed them how to add a background in Final Cut Pro, a video editing program available in the Media Lab. They ended up with a video of themselves on a busy street in New York City!

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A Gift to INSPIRE CREATIVITY

Great-West Life, London Life and Canada Life support LPL’s The Labs

London Public Library greatly appreciates the generous gift of $50,000 made by Great-West Life, London Life and Canada Life as part of our Infinite Possibilities Campaign to support The Labs at Central Library, exciting new creative spaces and technologies providing our community with resources, digital tools and gathering places for discovery, collaboration and learning.

The companies recognize that London Public Library has been the cornerstone of literacy, culture and learning in London for more than 120 years and is a vital part of our downtown. In 2001, they were pleased to contribute to the Central Library capital campaign that helped to bring a community hub to downtown London. Supporting The Labs is an opportunity to show their commitment to ensuring that the Library will continue to be a leader and collaborator that contributes to the overall health of London’s core.

As neighbours and long-time supporters of London Public Library, Great-West Life, London Life and Canada Life are proud to be part of this vital project that will make a difference in our community by ensuring the Library and our programming are relevant, accessible and welcoming for all Londoners. The Labs are unique creative spaces that will attract new audiences and open current Library users of all ages to diverse experiences and possibilities.

Green Screen Holiday Photo Ops!

The Labs | Central Library
Dec. 4 – 15
Lab Hours: Tues–Fri 3:30–5:30 pm & Sat 2:30–4:30 pm

Join Alan in The Labs to try out the Green Screen technology. Come for a group photo with family, friends or coworkers and insert a holiday or winter background of your choice. Create a fun card for the holiday season! Bring a USB drive to save your file.

“Proud to be part of this vital project.”

Jen MacRae, Senior Program Manager, Community Relations at London Life, and her son Ferris joined many enthusiastic Londoners interested in learning more at the launch of The Labs at Central Library on September 29. They are both excited about the opportunities Great-West Life, London Life and Canada Life has helped to provide for Londoners using the resources available in The Labs. Jen said Ferris was having the best time exploring new technologies and creative spaces at Central Library and didn’t want to leave!
Arielle Kayabaga made history in the recent municipal election when she was elected as City Councillor for Ward 13, becoming the first woman of colour to sit on City Council in London. Arielle is a community leader with council planning experience at City Hall here in London and a work history on Parliament Hill in Ottawa. She is excited to begin her new role of representing and advocating for her community!

Arielle believes libraries are essential community resources for everyone and shared with us her own family’s experience as newcomers. When they first came to Canada, her mother made regular use of the internet provided at the library because they couldn’t afford it at home. She also remembers the wonderful feeling of having access to so many books and knowing she could borrow one without the stigma of being poor – because everyone used library books.

“Libraries are fundamental to children’s lives,” says Arielle. “They provide resources that many can’t afford, from computers and books to homework clubs and free programs. Low income families rely on libraries as places to find community. They are neutral places where you’re not judged.”

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**2018 BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

**2018 BLACK HISTORY MOMENT IN LONDON**

“Libraries are fundamental to children’s lives”

Arielle Kayabaga, London City Councillor, Ward 13

BLACK HISTORY MONTH FAMILY DAY CELEBRATION

Sunday, February 17 | 1:30–3:30 pm
Library Commons | Central Library

Celebrate Black History Month with activities for the whole family! Enjoy a DJ, Limbo Dancing, Games & Crafts, Hair Braiding, Dance, Performances, Displays and more. Presented by the London Black History Coordinating Committee in partnership with London Public Library and the London Children’s Museum.

THE LONDON BLACK HISTORY COORDINATING COMMITTEE

hosts events in the community through February to celebrate Black History Month. London Public Library is proud to support the work of this Committee.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH CLOSING GALA

Saturday, February 23 | 4–7 pm
Doors open at 3 pm
Central Library
Wolf Performance Hall

Join us for a line-up of dance, song, spoken word, history and more. Followed by a reception with food and refreshments. This annual event is a partnership between the Library and the London Black History Month Coordinating Committee.

For information on purchasing tickets, call 519-661-5120.
“Grown folk music” is how Chad Price describes his self-titled second album, referring to how his music has evolved and matured and the feeling that he’s found his voice with this collection of songs. This singer-songwriter is an emerging talent in our city, gaining recognition with songs featured on television shows, including CTV’s *The Launch*, a radio charting song and sharing the stage with artists like Lights and Walk Off The Earth. www.chadpricemusic.com

Don’t miss the chance to catch Chad Price onstage in the Wolf Performance Hall on February 23 at the Black History Month Closing gala, an annual event celebrating local talent in London. Chad feels honoured to be part of Black History Month, saying it’s still important today for raising awareness of the history of families and communities like his. He wants to see those stories recognized as integral to Canadian history.

**Personal History**

As a Black-Canadian from London, Chad finds it meaningful to know of his historic connection to the Black community in the Chatham-Dresden area in Ontario that goes back to the mid-1800s through his father. On his mother’s side, he can trace family ties back to the late 1700s in Nova Scotia, finding inspiration in the story of his great grandfather, Frances Clements, born to a slave master in South Carolina in 1760. Chad knows that Frances gained his freedom in 1784 in Nova Scotia and received 160 acres of land, likely in exchange for his service as a Black Loyalist during the American Revolution, and that he married a Mohawk woman, Sarah Broadfoot, starting a family that would eventually lead to him.

“This is absolutely fascinating history to me. It’s important to know it and take pride in how we have built community despite the adversity we have experienced in history,” says Chad.

**On Chad’s Playlist Now**

Lianne La Havas | Shawn Mendes
Kacey Musgraves | Thundercat

Borrow music by these artists through hoopla in our digital collections as well as on CD.

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**Library Spotlight**

**Black Canadian Authors**

Library Spotlights are book lists, curated by our librarians, providing a selection of current, high quality works featuring particular topics, issues and authors.

Search Library Spotlight: Black Canadian Authors in our catalogue.
On Stories & Culture

It is vitally important to name place and people when we talk story in order to understand context, origin and teachings. My community has moved several times. My family comes from Fort Garry in the Red River area of Manitoba, moved to Drummond Island, and then was moved to Penetanguishene. The cottage industry has largely displaced us, but we are still a community and a huge part of the bond is our stories. We know who we are and where we are from because of them.

Becoming a Writer

Being a writer seemed like a distant dream, not a plan or a goal. I kept hearing it was impossible to break into the industry, that I needed a Master of Fine Arts and a network of connections. So I just wrote my stories and kept them in journals that I shelved for years. I wrote every day – sitting in my cubicle when I was supposed to be working on funding for a program, during meetings, on the bus, while my kids slept. There is a difference between writing and publishing. Both are important. Never stop writing.

I have a memory from one of my bus rides, of passing by the old Penguin offices in Toronto. I was a young, single mom on assistance trying to finish school and get a job to pay the rent. Passing by that building hurt and I remember thinking, “One day I’ll walk into that office. One day they will open the door.” I was able to tell that story to the CEO of Penguin Random House Canada last spring at the celebration for the signing of my four-book deal with them.

Her Advice to Writers

Read and write every damn day. Be open to advice and ongoing learning. I learn every single time I read. Brilliant writers like Eden Robinson and Charles Bukowski have taught me more about writing a sense of place than I could ever have figured out on my own. Jesmyn Ward and Heather O’Neill create characters that take my breath away. I am learning all the time because I love it.

Inspired By

Maria Campbell’s work inspires me every day. My chest burst open when I first heard her read from Stories of the Road Allowance People. A real author and famous storyteller who sounded just like the old people in my family and community! The way she captured their laughter and pain and resilience and magic was stunning. It continues to stun me.

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• No registration is required unless noted.
• Register for programs in person, by phone or online unless noted.
• We’re adding more programs all the time!
• At times, programs may be re-scheduled or cancelled.

Visit www.lpl.ca/programs or call 519-661-4600 to find out what’s new and to confirm the most up-to-date program schedule.

www.lpl.ca/programs

Accessibility

• Accommodations for our programs and services are available. Two weeks notice helps us to confirm your request.
• Service dogs are welcome in the Library and at programs.
• No program fee charge for anyone accompanying a person who requires assistance.
**Holiday Hours**

**December 24, 2018**: Central Library open 9 am–12:30 pm. Branches closed Mondays

**December 25 and December 26, 2018**: All locations closed.

**December 27 and December 28, 2018**: All locations open regular hours

**December 31, 2018**: Central Library open 9 am–12:30 pm. Branches closed Mondays

**January 1, 2019**: All locations closed

**February 18, 2019 (Family Day)**: Central Library closed

Central Library closed Sundays in December

**Holiday Open Houses**
See page 18 for holiday open house celebrations

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**REWIND! FALL 2018 AT LPL**

From left: 1. Bostwick Branch Library Opening Day Ribbon Cutting September 11, 2018; 2. Family Music Session at the Grand Opening of The Labs at Central Library on September 29, 2018; 3. Dr. Julielynn Wong fits a 3D printed adaptation at the opening of The Labs at Central Library on September 29, 2018; 4. Staff at Pond Mills and our other branches had lots of fun this Halloween.
COMMUNITY CELEBRATION
OF FAMILY LITERACY DAY
JAN 26

HUNDREDS OF LONDON FAMILIES LOVE THIS ANNUAL FUN-FILLED CELEBRATION!

PRESENTED BY LONDON PUBLIC LIBRARY AND SUPPORTED BY AMAZING COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

* Activity stations with crafts, games, stories, face painting and more
* Scavenger hunt & give away bags (while supplies last)
* Low cost pizza
* Concert by Cosima and Jack Grunsky in the Wolf Performance Hall.
  Free tickets available, in person, starting at 10am for the concert at 11am.
  Presented by Prologue to the Performing arts a charitable organization dedicated to bringing the performing arts to your people.

Saturday, January 26
10 am–2 pm
Main Floor, Central Library
Early Years

Book for Babies
(from birth with a caregiver)
Learn and enjoy rhymes, stories and songs with your baby! 30 min. program followed by informal socializing for babies and caregivers.
Please help us keep our storytimes and all programs fragrance free.

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Storytime
(1 year+ with a caregiver)
Come share stories, songs, rhymes and more!
Children will learn sounds, letters and new words while developing a lifelong love of learning.
Stay afterwards to play and meet other families. Children should be accompanied by a caregiver.
Please help us keep our storytimes and all programs fragrance free.

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Early Literacy

Sing Read Play Love
Birth–1 year with caregiver
Enjoy language-based play with your baby and explore early language development in a fun setting. Learn about early literacy through adult discussion. In partnership with EarlyON Child and Family Centres. Register at www.EarlyONLondon.eventbrite.ca or by calling 519-473-2825.

• BOSTWICK
  Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2–3 pm

Walking Story
3+ years
An interactive story walking adventure! Follow the trail to read the pages of our story and play together with your little ones!

• POND MILLS
  Saturday, Dec. 8, 10 am–12 pm

Sensory Storytime
2+ years with caregiver
An adaptive storytime ideal for children with sensory processing sensitivity or on the autism spectrum.

• CHERRYHILL
  Saturdays, Dec. 15, 29, Jan. 12, 26, Feb. 9, 23, 2:15–3:15 pm

Bedtime Storytime
All ages with caregiver
Put on your pyjamas and bring your favourite stuffed toy for bedtime stories.

• BYRON
  Wednesday, Feb. 20, 6:30–7:30 pm

• JALNA
  Wednesday, Jan. 9, 6:30–7:30 pm

Karen the Storyteller
4–6 with caregiver
Join Karen and her puppets for a magical storytelling show!

• LAMBETH
  Saturday, Jan 12–26, 10–11 am

Story & Gym
1+ years
Share stories, songs and rhymes with your child at the Library, then enjoy some active play in the YMCA gym. In partnership with Stoney Creek YMCA.

• STONEY CREEK
  Fridays, Feb. 1–Mar. 8, 10–11 am

STEAM: Invitation to Play & Learn
2+ years
Explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM) activities together with your child.

• JALNA
  Tuesdays, Feb. 5–Mar. 5, 2:30–3:15 pm
  Registration begins Jan. 25.

Toddler Art
2–3 years
Paint, glue, play and create in this fun art program for toddlers and caregivers. Dress for a mess!

• CROUCH
  Wednesdays, Feb. 6–27, 9:30–10:15 am, 10:30–11:15 am
  Registration begins Jan. 30.

Discovery Mornings in The Studio
1–6 years with caregiver
The Studio is open every week for hands-on, self-directed discovery and play with sensory and fun centres. Dress for a mess!

• LANDON
  Fridays, 9:30 am–1 pm
  No sessions Dec. 28 or Jan. 4.

Picture Book Picks!
Curl up together and get cozy with these wintery stories.

Winter is Here
Kevin Henkes

Bear Can’t Sleep
Karma Wilson

The Snowy Nap
Jan Brett
Music, Movement & Art

Tune Time
All ages with caregiver
Develop early literacy skills through rhyme, rhythm and repetition – the language of music!
• CENTRAL
  Tuesdays, 10:30–11 am

Toddler Dance Party!
Come shake your sillies out at our interactive dance party!
• BOSTWICK
  Saturdays, Dec. 15, Jan. 19, Feb. 16, 10–11 am
• LANDON
  Thursday, Feb. 21, 9:30–10:30 am

Water Babies: Story & Song
Birth–12 months
Enjoy stories, songs and rhymes in the pool! Parents MUST accompany their babies in the pool. A maximum of one baby with one parent. In partnership with Stoney Creek YMCA.
• STONEY CREEK
  Tuesdays, Feb. 5–Mar. 5, 2:30–3 pm
  Registration begins Jan. 22.

Playgroups

Beginning with Baby
Birth to 12 months with caregiver
Learn, play and grow together. In partnership with Childreach.
• BEACOCK
  Thursdays, 1:30–3 pm
• CHERRYHILL
  Tuesdays, 10–11:30 am
  No sessions Dec. 25 or Jan. 1.

Beginning with Toddler
1–2 ½ years with caregiver
Learn, play and grow together. Includes parent-child circle time and discussion on toddler development. In partnership with the EarlyON Child & Family Centres.
• BEACOCK
  Wednesdays, 10–11:30 am

Child & Family Playgroups
Birth–6 years with caregiver
Parents, caregivers and children participate in interactive early learning activities. In partnership with EarlyON Child and Family Centres unless noted. NO SESSIONS Dec. 19–Jan. 3 at any locations.
• POND MILLS
  Curious Connections. In partnership with Childreach.
  Tuesdays, Dec. 4–Feb. 26, 9:30–11:30 am
• BEACOCK
  Shared Beginnings. In partnership with LUSO.
  Tuesdays, 9:30–11:30 am
• CROUCH
  Tuesdays, 9:30–11:15 am & 1:15–3 pm
  Wednesdays, 9:30–11:15 am & 1:15–3 pm
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• LAMBETH
  Wednesdays, 9:30–11:30 am
• BEACOCK
  Thursdays, 9:30 am–11:30 pm
• CHERRYHILL
  In partnership with Childreach.
  Fridays, 9:30–11:30 am
Winter Break Dec. 22 – Jan. 5

Our children's areas are a Winter Wonderland with engaging activities for you and your family over the holidays. Drop in to enjoy some wonder-filled family time with us.

Drop-In Crafts
Family
Creativity is in the space!
Come create with us.
- BYRON
  Winter Wonderland
  Saturday, Dec. 15, 2:30–4 pm
- CROUCH
  Polar Penguins
  Saturday, Dec. 15, 2:30–3:30 pm
  New Year’s Noise Makers
  Saturday, Dec. 29, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Crochet Snowmen
  Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Snowmen Sock Puppets
  Thursday, Jan. 3, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Frosty Flubber
  Friday, Jan. 4, 2:30–3:30 pm
- POND MILLS
  Winter Wonderland
  Saturday, Dec. 22, 10 am–12 pm

Winter Afternoon Movie
Cozy up with a movie on our big screen! Feel free to bring your own peanut-free munchies. Call branch one week ahead for movie title.
- SHERWOOD
  Saturday, Dec. 22, 2:30 pm–4 pm
- POND MILLS
  Friday, Dec. 28, 2:30–4 pm
- BEACOCK
  Wednesday, Jan. 2, 6–8 pm

Peter Mennie’s AbraKIDabra!
Magic Show
Family
Peter blends hilarious comedy magic, silly vaudeville-style antics and parent-approved comic observation. Great for every family member!
- CENTRAL
  Thursday, Dec. 27, 2:30–3:30 pm
- CHERRYHILL
  Saturday, Jan. 5, 2:30–3:30 pm

Make & Play
Be inspired to create, make and play! Enjoy a variety of activities!
- CROUCH
  Thursday, Dec. 27, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Friday, Dec. 28, 2:30–3:30 pm
- JALNA
  Saturday, Jan. 5, 2:30–3:30 pm
- MASONVILLE
  Friday, Dec. 28, 2:30–4 pm
  Friday, Jan. 4, 2:30–4 pm
- POND MILLS
  Thursday, Dec. 27, 12–2 pm
  Saturday, Dec. 29, 10 am–12 pm
  Thursday, Jan. 3, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Saturday, Jan. 5, 10 am–12 pm
- STONEY CREEK
  Fridays, Dec. 28 & Jan. 4, 2–4 pm

Cardboard Build
Family
Build a fort with huge cardboard provided by us!
- BYRON
  Friday, Dec. 28, 12–4 pm

Board Game Extravaganza
Family
Come in for fun playing a variety of board games.
- JALNA
  Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2:30–3:30 pm

Ozobots
8–12 years
Meet Ozobot, a tiny robot, and learn about computer science and coding.
- POND MILLS
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Slimerama
8–12 years
What exactly is slime? Why is it so stretchy? Why can’t we get enough of it? Join Alan (LPL's slime expert) to learn the science of slime. We'll make slime and use it in creative ways. Everyone will get a small sample to take home.
- CENTRAL
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Invitation to Create
Family
Express yourself creatively using different art mediums. Parents/caregivers welcome to join their children and make art together.
- JALNA
  Thursday, Jan. 3, 2:30–3:30 pm

Rumpelstiltskin: A Puppet Show
Can straw be turned into gold? What's in a name? Will the little fellow win and take the baby? Presented by Puppetworks.
- CENTRAL
  Thursday, Jan. 3, 2:30–3 pm

Sphero SPRK+
8–12 years
Learn basic programming for a Sphero robot. Then use what you’ve learned and try to meet the robot challenge!
- STONEY CREEK
  Wednesday, Jan. 2, 10 am–12 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 19.
- BYRON
  Thursday, Jan. 3, 10 am–12 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 8.
- CENTRAL
  Fridays, Jan. 4, 10 am–12 pm
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- CENTRAL
  Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2:30–3:30 pm
Winter Break
Dec. 22 – Jan. 5

Gentle Yoga for the Family
Family
Practice yoga together. Learn a basic routine in a fun, friendly atmosphere with teacher Valerie Hobson. Bring your own yoga mat. (Some yoga mats will be available for those who do not have one).
• BOSTWICK
  Thursday, Jan. 3, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 20.

Maker Fair
Family
Join us for Maker Fair fun with Snap Circuits, Makey Makey, Squigz, Osmo, Spirograph and more!
• JALNA
  Friday, Jan. 4, 2:30–3:30 pm
• LANDON
  Saturday, Jan. 5, 2:30–4 pm

Jingles the Clown
Family
Join Jingles for lots of clowning around fun with hilarious songs, magic, puppets and stories.
• BOSTWICK
  Friday, Jan. 4, 2:30–3:30 pm

Kid’s Karaoke with Rachel
Family
A fun singalong afternoon of family-friendly music with Pond Mills’ own Rachel Weisdorf. Sing solo, with friends or with family.
• POND MILLS
  Friday, Jan. 4, 2:30–3:30 pm

Butterfly Finger Knitting
8+ years
Learn to knit a butterfly using just your fingers!
• BYRON
  Saturday, Jan. 5, 2:30–4 pm

PA Day – Jan. 18

PA Day Make & Play
Be inspired to create, make and play! Enjoy a variety of activities!
• BEACOCK
  Friday, Jan. 18, 1–4 pm
• BOSTWICK
  Friday, Jan. 18, 10 am–12 pm
• BYRON
  Friday, Jan. 18, 12–4 pm
• CHERRYHILL
  Friday, Jan. 18, 11 am–2 pm
• EAST LONDON
  Friday, Jan. 18, 9 am–6 pm
• LAMBETH
  Friday, Jan. 18, 1–4 pm
• MASONVILLE
  Friday, Jan. 18, 2:30–4 pm
• SHERWOOD
  Friday, Jan. 18, 10 am–5 pm

PA Day Movie
Watch a recently released or classic movie on our big screen! Call the branch ahead for movie title.
• EAST LONDON
  Friday, Jan. 18, 2:30–4 pm
• JALNA
  Friday, Jan. 18, 2:30–4 pm
• STONEY CREEK
  Friday, Jan. 18, 2:30–4 pm

Mystery Bag Challenge
What can you make? Grab a bag of mystery items and get to work!
• CENTRAL
  Friday, Jan. 18, Library hours

Sphero SPRK+
8–12 years
Learn basic programming for a Sphero robot. Then use what you’ve learned and try to meet the robot challenge!
• CENTRAL
  Friday, Jan. 18, 10 am–12 pm
  Registration begins Jan. 18 at 9 am.

Science & Technology

HOUR OF CODE PROGRAMS
Hour of Code is a nationwide initiative by Computer Science Education Week and Code.org that introduces millions of students to one hour of computer science and computer programming.

Coding for Kids: Level 1
8–12 years
Learn the basics of computer coding with MIT’s graphical programming platform, Scratch.
• CROUCH
  Saturday, Dec. 8, 10:30–12 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 1.
• LANDON
  Saturday, Dec. 8, 2:30–4 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 1.
• POND MILLS
  Saturday, Dec. 8, 2:30–4 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 1.

Ozobots
8–12 years
Meet Ozobot, a tiny robot, and learn about computer science and coding.
• BEACOCK
  Saturday, Jan. 12, 10–11 am
  Registration begins Jan. 5.
• LANDON
  Saturday, Feb. 9, 2:30–4 pm
  Registration begins Feb. 2.
• CROUCH
  Saturday, Feb. 16, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Registration begins Feb. 9.

Coding for Kids: Level 1
8–12 years
Learn the basics of computer coding with MIT’s graphical programming platform, Scratch.
• CHERRYHILL
  Saturday, Feb. 2, 2:30–4 pm
  Registration begins Jan. 19.
Welcome Back to Byron Celebration!
Welcome back to our refreshed Byron Branch with music, refreshments, crafts, 3D printing demo, sewing activity, Therapy Dogs and more.
- **BYRON**
  Saturday, Dec. 1, 2–4 pm

Christmas in the Village
Join us for Christmas in the Village with live music, crafts and more.
- **LANDON**
  Saturday, Dec. 1, 11–3 pm

**HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSES**
Celebrate the season with crafts, live music and more.
- **JALNA**
  Featuring musicians Between the Keys. Join us to decorate our tree.
  Saturday, Dec. 1, 2:30–4 pm
- **SHERWOOD**
  Live music, holiday activities and refreshments.
  Saturday, Dec. 8, 12:30–1:30 pm
- **MASONVILLE**
  Winter celebration with family activities and refreshments. Live music with Accent Trio.
  Saturday, Dec. 8, 2–4 pm
- **BEACOCK**
  Featuring harpist Eliza Lam. This program is generously donated by the Bonsteel Family.
  Saturday, Dec. 15, 2–3 pm
- **CROUCH**
  Celebrate with music and light refreshments.
  Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2:30–4:30 pm

**Community Celebration of Family Literacy Day**
Bring the whole family to this fun-filled community celebration of Family Literacy Day. Crafts and activities, games, stories and music, face painting, pizza (low-cost) and more! Special music performance by Cosima and Jack Grunsky at 11 am in the Wolf Performance Hall.
Free tickets for the performance are available starting at 10 am at Central Library, in person. Cosima and Jack Grunsky are represented by Prologue to the Performing Arts, a charitable organization dedicated to bringing the performing arts to your people.
- **CENTRAL**
  Saturday, Jan. 26, 10 am–2 pm

**Black History Month Family Day Celebration**
Celebrate Black History Month with activities for the whole family! Enjoy performances, limbo dancing, music, crafts, games and more. Presented by the London Black History Coordinating Committee in partnership with London Public Library and the London Children’s Museum.
- **CENTRAL**
  Sunday, Feb. 17, 1:30–3:30 pm

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**NEW! WORLD BOOK KIDS ONLINE REFERENCE**
For Grades 1–4
→ Easy-to-Read
→ Videos
→ Illustrations
→ Interactive Maps
→ Games & Activities

When that school project is due tomorrow, find online resources on our website.
Free with your Library Card.
www.lpl.ca/research
Create, Make, Build

Paper Art Club
5+ years
Learn origami with the Paper Art Club from Western University.
• CENTRAL
Saturdays, Dec. 1, Jan. 12, 26, Feb. 9, 23
1–3 pm

The Zone
8+ years
Join us in The Zone for games, colouring, snacks or just to chat. What could be more fun than that?
• CROUCH
2nd Tuesday of month, 5:30–7 pm

Art Studio
What will you create? The Studio is open for self-directed creation with materials and tools available for all. Children 10 years and under require adult supervision. Dress for a mess!
• CENTRAL
Wednesdays, 10–11:30 am
Saturdays, 2:30–4 pm

DIY Club
10+ years
We supply the materials. You bring your DIY creativity! We’ll talk about books and life, and share a snack. Dress for a mess.
• MASONVILLE
Wednesday, Dec. 12, 6:30–8 pm
Registration begins Oct. 1.
Wednesday, Jan. 23, 6:30–8 pm
Registration begins Dec. 12.
Wednesday, Feb. 20, 6:30–8 pm
Registration begins Jan. 23.

Nice Icing, Baby
8+ years
Learn multiple piping techniques for decorating your treats!
• CROUCH
Saturday, Jan. 12, 2:30–3:30 pm
Registration begins Jan. 5.

String Art
10+ years
Create interesting artwork using string, wood and your imagination!
• CHERRYHILL
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2:30–3:30 pm
Registration begins Jan. 31.
• JALNA
Saturday, Jan. 12, 2:30–3:30 pm
Registration begins Jan. 4.

Soda Straw Weaving
8+ years
Weave colourful bracelets using drinking straws as a loom. Give to family and friends!
• CHERRYHILL
Saturday, Jan. 19, 2:30–3:30 pm

Maker Station
Be inspired to create, make and play! Enjoy a variety of activities!
• BYRON
Saturday, Jan. 26, 2–4 pm

STEAM Saturdays at Bostwick
Come in for self-directed creation and exploration with materials and tools. Families are invited to learn and create together! Children 11 years and under require adult supervision. Program is supported by the London Central Lions Club.
• BOSTWICK
3rd Saturday of month, 2–4 pm

Drop-In Crafts
Family
• CROUCH
Valentines
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2:30–3:30 pm
• GLANWORTH
Saturdays, 10 am–12 pm
• BYRON
Valentines
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2:30–4 pm.
• BEACOCK
Valentines
Thursday, Feb. 14, library hours

Kente Cloth Art
9+ years
Create your own brightly patterned kente cloth using paper and markers. Learn the origins of the kente cloth, the symbolic meanings of the colours and more. A great way to explore different cultures and celebrate African heritage in honour of Black History Month.
• CHERRYHILL
Saturday, Feb. 16, 2:30–4 pm
Readers & Writers

My First Book Club
7–9 years
Book discussion and fun activities for children who are reading independently. Read the book before the meeting and come ready to talk about it! Books can be borrowed at the branch before each meeting. Call the branch for more information. When registering online, include child’s name and age in Note to Instructor.

• BYRON
  Saturdays, Jan. 12–May 11, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 1
• STONEY CREEK
  2nd Saturday of month,
  Feb. 9–May 11, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 8.

Beyond The Book
10–13 years
We have chosen a variety of fun, exciting novels with different stories and diverse characters from around the world to encourage a love of reading in kids. Reading, crafts and lots of fun! Please register ahead.

• CENTRAL
  1st Saturday of month, 2–4 pm
  January: *Ghost* and *Patina* by Jason Reynolds
  February: *The Breadwinner* by Deborah Ellis
• LANDON
  Wednesdays, Jan. 16, Feb. 27, 4–5 pm

Harry Potter Fandom
10+ years

• CROUCH
  4th Wednesday of month, 6–7:30 pm

Dog Tales: One on One
7–13 years
A great way for shy or reluctant readers to practice reading skills and build confidence. Register for a 15 minute one-on-one session to read to a St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog in the library. Therapy Dogs have been assessed to read with children.

• SHERWOOD
  2nd & 4th Saturday of month,
  11:30 am–12:30 pm

Broken Hearts Club
Pick up a club card and start reading about love. For each book you read, earn a small prize and a piece of a heart. Read enough books and put the heart back together to earn a bigger prize.

• CENTRAL
  Jan. 2–Feb. 14, Library hours

Read, Play, Discover
7–12 years
Play a variety of games and activities designed to make reading fun. Children under 8 years must have a parent remain in the library.

• JALNA
  Wednesdays, Jan. 16–Feb. 20, 6–7:30 pm
• SHERWOOD
  Wednesdays, Jan. 16–Feb 20, 6–7:30 pm
• BEACOCK
  Saturdays, Jan. 19–Feb. 23, 2–3:30 pm

Homework

Northwest London Homework Club
Students can get help with their homework in all subjects, in English or French. Spaces limited. In partnership with the Northwest London Resource Centre.

• SHERWOOD
  Thursdays, 4–6 pm

Homework Clubs
Homework help is here! If you are having any trouble with your homework, drop in to this free program and get some help from volunteers. In partnership with Frontier College.

• BEACOCK
  Tuesdays, Jan. 15–Apr. 2, 3:45–5:45 pm
  No sessions Feb. 19 or Mar. 12.
• CHERRYHILL
  Tuesdays, Jan. 15–Apr. 2, 3:45–5:45 pm
  No sessions Feb. 19 or Mar. 12.

My Math!
8–12 years
An after-school, drop in program for kids. Tutors guide kids through fun and interactive math games and activities. In partnership with Frontier College.

• BEACOCK
  Tuesdays, Jan. 15–Apr. 2, 3:45–5:45 pm
  No sessions Feb. 19 or Mar. 12.
• SHERWOOD
  Wednesdays, Jan. 16–Apr. 3, 3:45–5:45 pm
  No sessions Feb. 20 or Mar. 13.
Life Skills

I’m Home
10–12 years
Support for parents in preparing children to move successfully from supervised care to safe, home-based self care. In partnership with London Children’s Connection.
Fee: $35 per child, non-refundable, due at time of registration. Financial assistance may be available, please inquire.
Parent attendance is required from 1:30-2 pm. Send a bag lunch for 30 minute lunch break.
Registration for all sessions is now open.
  • BEACOCK
  Saturday, Dec. 1, 9:30 am–2 pm
  • LANDON
  Saturday, Feb. 2, 9:30–2 pm
  • CENTRAL
  Saturday, Feb. 23, 9:30 am–2 pm

Games

Guess How Many
Family
Can you guess how many are in the jar? Closest guess wins and takes it all home!
  • LAMBETH
  Dec. 1-29, Daily

Chess in the Library
7+ years
Players of all strengths are welcome to play chess with volunteers from the London Chapter of Chess in the Library.
No sessions Dec. 21, 28, Jan.4 & Apr.19
  • MASONVILLE
  Fridays, 4–5:30 pm
  No sessions Dec. 21, 28, Jan. 4, Apr. 19.

Arcade Armageddon!
7+ years
Don’t miss your chance to play games like Minecraft, Mario Cart and Just Dance!
  • CROUCH
  Friday, Jan. 18, 2–5 pm

Scavenger Quests!
5–12 years
Search our branch like a skilled P.I. to complete our quest and win a prize!
  • CROUCH
  4th Saturday of month, Library hours

Board Game Extravaganza
Family
Have fun playing a variety of board games.
  • LANDON
  Saturday, Feb. 16, 10–4 pm

Movies

Saturday Cinema
Family
Enjoy tasty treats and a feature film on our BIG screen!
  • CROUCH
  1st Saturday of month, 2:30 pm

Holiday Movie
Celebrate the season with a classic holiday movie.
  • CHERRYHILL
  Saturday, Dec. 8, 2–4 pm
  • JALNA
  Saturday, Dec. 8, 2:30–4 pm

Shops & Performances

Make Your Own Puppet Show
Make your very own puppet and join in the show!
  • BEACOCK
  Saturday, Dec. 8, 2–4 pm

The Magic Lollypop Tree: A Puppet Show
A teddy bear goes on a quest to find the Magic Lollypop tree. Presented by Puppetworks.
  • CENTRAL
  Saturday, Dec. 15, 2:30–3 pm
### Author Event: Mariko Tamaki

Mariko Tamaki is an award winning young adult author, graphic novelist, and writer for both Marvel and DC comics. She will read from her work and discuss her writing experiences. In partnership with Western University, English & Writing Studies.

- **CENTRAL**
  Wednesday, Dec. 5, 7:30–8:30 pm

### Intro to Improv

9–12 years

Through interactive games and activities, learn the basics of improvisational theatre with Shutter the Front Door Improv. A fun and dynamic way to help you build confidence and learn to think on your feet.

No experience necessary.

- **BOSTWICK**
  Friday, Dec. 28, 2:30–4:30 pm

### Dungeons & Dragons Mini Campaign

12–18 years

Have you ever wanted to be the hero of a quest? Come play the classic, role playing, fantasy game Dungeons & Dragons. This is a beginner’s mini campaign.

- **LANDON**
  Wednesdays, Jan. 9, Feb. 13, 4–5 pm

### Media Impact: Media Literacy Workshop

Grades 9–12

This workshop will develop and enhance creative and critical abilities in relation to today’s mass media market. In partnership with the YMCA’s Youth Gambling Awareness Program.

- **BEACOCK**
  Tuesday, Jan. 8, 6–7 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 18.

### Financial Literacy

Grades 9–12

Learn how to be a savvy saver and spender. This workshop aims to increase students’ awareness of the importance of financial literacy. In partnership with the YMCA’s Youth Gambling Awareness Program.

- **BEACOCK**
  Tuesday, Jan. 15, 6–7 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 18.

- **CENTRAL**
  Friday, Jan. 18, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Registration begins Jan. 18 at 9 am.

- **BOSTWICK**
  Friday, Jan. 25, 4–5 pm
  No registration required.

### Friday Drop-In at Bostwick

11+ years

Takeover of the library! Join us for a casual afternoon of activities and social time, including games, Karaoke, maker activities, art, hang-out time and more. Program supported in part by the London Central Lions Club.

- **BOSTWICK**
  Fridays, Jan. 18–Mar. 1, 2–6 pm

### Sphero SPRK+

12–15 years

Learn more detailed and sophisticated programming for a Sphero robotic ball.

- **CENTRAL**
  Saturday, Jan. 19, 10–11:30 am

### Game-Bing: When Gaming Meets Gambling

This workshop explores how technology has changed the gaming market and blurred the lines between gaming and gambling. In partnership with YMCA’s Youth Gambling Awareness Program.

- **BEACOCK**
  Tuesday, Jan. 22, 6–7 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 18.
Programs & Groups

Storytelling through Zines: Workshop with Jenna Rose Sands
12+ years
Learn to tell stories through zines! Create your own zine and contribute to our One Book One London Zine by adding a page about your response to *The Marrow Thieves*. Facilitated by Jenna Rose Sands, a Cree Ojibwe artist who lives in London.

• BEACOCK
  Saturday, Feb. 2, 2–4 pm

YA Book Club
Join us for all things YA! Read and discuss your favourite young adult books, complete activities and have fun!

• BEACOCK
  1st Tuesday of month, 6–7 pm

Youth Coffee House
Bust a move, sing a song or slam a poem about who you are and where you’re going! Or, just sit back and enjoy the show. Great food and prizes. Even better people!

• SHERWOOD
  3rd Tuesday of month, 5–7 pm

Rubik’s Cube Unplugged Club
9–15 years
Discover your inner Rubik’s cube skills. Local teens will get you started and share some secrets that you can try hands-on! Bring your own cube if you have one.

• MASONVILLE
  Saturdays, 2–3 pm
  No sessions Dec. 22 or Jan. 5.
Reading & Writing

Storytelling through Zines: Workshop with Jenna Rose Sands
Learn how to tell stories through zines! Create your own zine and contribute to our One Book One London Zine by adding a page about your response to The Marrow Thieves. Facilitated by Jenna Rose Sands, a Cree Ojibwe artist who lives in London.

• LONDON
  Adult Workshop
  Tuesday, Jan. 15, 6:30 pm–8:30 pm
  • BEACOCK
  Youth Workshop
  Saturday, Feb. 2, 2–4 pm

Cultural Resilience in The Marrow Thieves
The Marrow Thieves is a story about cultural resilience. Cherie Dimaline infused many elements of Anishinaabe culture through this story. Come learn more about these elements and their cultural significance while enjoying a dance demonstration and traditional food.

• CENTRAL
  Thursday, Jan. 24, 6:30–8:30 pm

Bridging the Gap: Discussing Indigenous Issues & Culture with Indigenous People
What is something you’ve always wanted to know about Indigenous issues or culture but didn’t know who or how to ask? Join us for a night of learning as we listen to a panel of local Indigenous guests address the questions we’ve collected from the community, and enjoy traditional food together. See www.lpl.ca/onebook for information on submitting an anonymous question for this event.

• CENTRAL
  Thursday, Feb. 28, 6:30–8:30 pm

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

• SHERWOOD
  1st Tuesday of month, 2:15–3:15 pm
  Dec 4: Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman
  Jan 8: I Capture the Castle by Dodie Smith
  Feb 5: The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline

• EAST LONDON
  1st Wednesday of month, 7–8 pm
  Dec 5: The Magpie Murders by Anthony Horowitz
  Jan 2: The Elegance of the Hedgehog by Muriel Barbery
  Feb 6: The Jaguar’s Children by John Vaillant

• BOSTWICK
  2nd Tuesday of month, 7–8 pm
  Dec. 11: The King’s Speech by Mark Logue & Peter Conradi
  Jan. 8: The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline
  Feb. 12: To be determined.

• STONEY CREEK
  3rd Wednesday of month, 7:30–8:30 pm
  Dec. 19: Still Alice by Lisa Genova
  Jan. 16: Wild by Cheryl Strayed
  Feb. 20: Circling the Sun by Paula McLain

• MASONVILLE
  3rd Tuesday of month, 7–8:30 pm
  No session in December.
  Jan. 15: The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls
  Feb. 19: Beartown by Frederik Backman

• BOSTWICK
  3rd Thursday of month, 7–8 pm
  Dec. 13: The Wonder by Emma Donoghue
  Jan. 17: The Underground Girls of Kabul by Jenny Nordberg
  Feb. 21: One True Loves by Taylor Jenkins Reid

• CHERRYHILL
  Last Wednesday of the month, 2–3:30 pm
  Jan. 30: Burial Rites by Hannah Kent
  Feb. 27: The Imperfectionists by Tom Rachman

• JALNA
  3rd Wednesday of month, 7–8 pm
  Dec. 19: Bring your favourite book
  Jan. & Feb: Call branch for titles.

• POND MILLS
  Last Wednesday of month, 7:30–8:30 pm
  Call branch for titles.

• BYRON
  Last Thursday of month, 7–8 pm
  No session in December.
  Jan. 31: The Martian by Andy Weir
  Feb. 28: The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline
• POND MILLS
Last Thursday of month, 7:30–8:30 pm
Call branch for titles.

• LAMBETH
3rd Thursday of month, 2–3 pm
Dec. 20: Alice Network by Kate Quinn
Jan. 17: News of the World by Paulette Jiles
Feb. 21: A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman

• LAMBETH
2nd Thursday of month, 7–8 pm
Dec. 13: Above all Things by Tanis Rideout
Jan. 10: Narrow Rood of the Deep North by Richard Flanagan
Feb. 14: Circling the Sun by Paula McLain

• BOSTWICK
2nd Wednesday of month, 7–8:45 pm

• CROUCH
1st Thursday of month, 7–8:30 pm

Happy Bookers Book Club
Join us for a lively, informal, fun discussion. Books available one month ahead of meeting. New members welcome.

• CHERRYHILL
2nd Thursday of month, 7–8:30 pm
Jan. 9: All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr
Feb. 14: The Promise of Stardust by Priscille Sibley

Masonville Book Circle
Join our discussion of contemporary works and ones from the past, now renowned.

• MASONVILLE
2nd Thursday of month, 10–11 am
Dec. 13: The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George
Jan. 10: Precious Cargo by Craig Davidson
Feb. 14: Do Not Say We Have Nothing by Madeleine Thien

Science Fiction London Book Club
Discuss books and films with other sci-fi enthusiasts.

• CENTRAL
1st Saturday of month, 1:30–4:30 pm
Dec. 1: The Mechanical by lan Tregillis
Jan. 5: The Orville, TV Series
Feb. 2: Poison and The Ones Who Walk Away (short stories)

The Gay Guys’ Book Club
We discuss a diverse range of books. Our meetups include book talk and socializing as well as discussion around the role of gay men in societies past and present.

• CENTRAL
Mondays, 7–8:30 pm
Dec. 17: Wolfsong by T.J. Klune

READINGS
Author Event: Mariko Tamaki
Mariko Tamaki is an award winning young adult author, graphic novelist, and writer for both Marvel and DC comics. She will read from her work and discuss her writing experiences. In partnership with Western University, English & Writing Studies.

• CENTRAL
Wednesday, Dec. 5, 7:30–8:30 pm

Toward the North: Book Launch
Dr. Laura Wu, Dr. Cory Davies and colleagues share the first book of its kind published in Canada, Toward the North: Stories by Chinese Canadian Writers. It offers a unique perspective on the contemporary, first generation Chinese immigrant experience. Book sale and signing to follow courtesy of Oxford Book Shop.

• MASONVILLE
Wednesday, Jan. 9, 7–8 pm

Poetry London Readings
Poetry London hosts and celebrates nationally acclaimed and local poets. Schedules and information at www.poetrylondon.ca.

• LANDON
Wednesday, Jan. 23, 7:30–8:45 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 20, 7:30–8:45 pm
**Reading & Writing**

**WRITING**

**Grit Uplifted Creative Writing Group**
An open forum and support for people who are homeless, at risk of being homeless or who have experienced homelessness. Learn creative expression and skill development. Offered in partnership with London InterCommunity Health Centre.
- **CENTRAL**
  Saturdays, Dec. 1–15, Jan. 19–Apr. 20 2–4 pm

**Poetry London Workshop**
Poetry London workshops are open to anyone who enjoys discussing poetry. Participants take a closer look at the work of that evening’s featured poets and share their own poetry in a mutually supportive atmosphere.
- **LANDON**
  Wednesdays, Jan. 23 and Feb. 20 6:30–7:30 pm

**Local History & Stories**

**Landon Centennial Celebration**
Celebrate 100 years of the library in Wortley Village with live music, crafts, displays and refreshments! Share your memories of Landon Branch with us!
- **LANDON**
  Friday, Dec. 28, 2–4 pm

**Railways of London & Area**
- **CENTRAL**
  Monday, Jan. 28, 7–8.

**Heritage Fair 2019: Oldies but Goodies: London’s Musical Heritage**
The 7th annual Heritage Fair will turn up the volume on London’s musical past with a one-day celebration of music in the Forest City. Featuring prominent guest speakers and musical performers, interactive activities, a film screening, and an informative Exploration Zone featuring 20+ local organizations, all showcasing London’s love of music. In partnership with London Heritage Council.
- **CENTRAL**
  Saturday, Feb. 16, 9 am–3 pm

**Green in the City**
- **CENTRAL**
  Tuesday, Dec. 4, 7–8:30 pm

**Nature in the City**
A series of illustrated talks on nature in and around the city of London. In partnership with Nature London.
- **CENTRAL**
  Tuesdays, 7–8:30 pm
  Jan. 15: **Ducks in London** with Raeanne Muir
  Jan. 22: **The Thames River: Its Present & Future** with Ian Wilcox
  Jan. 29: **Groundhog Day: The History, Culture & Biology of Hibernation** with Alan MacEachern & Jim Staples
  Feb. 5: **Celestial Events & the Night Skies over London** with Ryan Fraser
  Feb. 12: **London’s Urban Forest** with Sara Rowland
  Feb. 19: **Woodland Restoration from the Ground Up** with Roseann McKay

**NEW! CANADIAN HISTORY JUST A CLICK AWAY!**

The Globe and Mail’s digitized archives are available with your Library card. Research history through newspaper articles from 1844 to 2014.
Music, Theatre & Film

Borrow A Ukulele!
Interested in the ukulele but not sure if you want to buy? Check one out with your library card (subject to availability). Book a study room to practice or take it home. Ukuleles must be returned to Stoney Creek Branch.

- STONEY CREEK
Library hours

Songwriters Workshop
For songwriters at any level and anyone interested in song writing. Bring your instruments and your tunes for open discussion, group writing exercises, song sharing and peer feedback. In partnership with the Songwriters Association of Canada.
- LONDON
1st Tuesday of month, 7–8:45 pm
January session will be on Jan. 22.

Lost at C
Performance of jazz and rock standards with some early rock and roll pieces.
- CENTRAL
Wednesday, Dec. 5, 7:30–9 pm

Community Concerts
Bring your family and join us for a live concert with a local musician!
- CHERRYHILL
Ron Ross
Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2:30–4 pm
- BEACOCK
Mark Beasley
Saturday, Jan. 19, 2–3 pm

Jazz for the People
A free concert series featuring local and regional jazz musicians. Supported by Friends of the London Public Library.
- CENTRAL
Wednesdays, Dec. 12, Jan. 23, Feb. 27 7:15–8:45 pm

London Jazz Orchestra
Enjoy popular selections of big band, swing and jazz music as well as new arrangements under the direction of Ralph de Luca.
- CENTRAL
Thursday, Feb. 14, 7:30–9 pm

Films

Movie Night: Marie Curie: The Courage of Knowledge
This internationally co-produced drama follows the famous physicist and chemist Marie Curie, the first woman to receive the Nobel Prize.
- CENTRAL
Tuesday, Dec. 4, 7–9 pm

Silver Screen Saturdays: Family Edition!
Watch recent award winning favourite films on the big screen. For movie titles and content ratings call 519-661-4600.
- BOSTWICK
1st Saturday of month, 10 am–12 pm
- EAST LONDON
Saturdays, Dec. 15–Feb. 23, 2:30–4 pm

Thursday Movies
A selection of current movies. For movie titles and content ratings call 519-661-4600.
- CHERRYHILL
Thursdays, Jan. 3–Feb. 28, 1:30–4 pm

Black History Month Movie Night
See this British period drama inspired by the true story of Dido Elizabeth Belle, the illegitimate, mixed-race daughter of a British admiral. Belle’s lineage affords her certain privileges, yet her status prevents her from the traditions of noble social standing. She plays an important role in the campaign to abolish slavery in England.
- CENTRAL
Wednesday, Feb. 13, 7–9 pm

Purchase Tickets for These Events
Buy tickets for these events at www.wolfperformancehall.ca or at the Wolf Hall Performance Box Office, Monday to Friday, 9 am to 5 pm, 519-661-5120.

17th Annual Black History Month Closing Gala & Reception
Join us for an entertaining line-up of dance, song, spoken word, history and more. Reception, including food and drinks, to follow. Presented by the London Black History Coordinating Committee in partnership with London Public Library.
- CENTRAL
Saturday, Feb. 23, 4–7 pm
Tickets: Contact Wolf Performance Hall for ticket prices.

Banff Centre Mountain Film Festival World Tour
The Tour returns to London delivering the most inspiring action, environmental, and adventure films from the festival. Different films are screened each evening.
- CENTRAL
March 18, 19 & 20, 7:00 pm
Tickets: $20, plus applicable taxes and fees. Valid for the night purchased. No refunds or exchanges. TICKETS GO ON SALE IN DECEMBER!
ESL Reading Group
Practice your English by reading with library volunteers and sharing your ideas. We provide the reading material! Check locations below to see if registration is required.
NO SESSIONS on holiday weekends.

ESL Reading Groups: Drop In
• CENTRAL
  Saturdays, 10:30 am–12 pm
• MASONVILLE
  Saturdays, 10:30 am–12 pm

ESL Reading Group: Registration Required
• CHERRYHILL
  Thursdays, 3:30–5 pm
  Jan. 3–Feb. 14
  Registration begins Dec. 20.
  Feb. 21–Apr. 4
  Registration begins Feb. 14.
• BOSTWICK
  Saturdays, 10–11:30 am
  Jan. 5–Feb. 9
  Registration begins Dec. 15.
  Feb. 23–Apr. 6
  Registration begins Feb. 9.

English Language Skills Improvement
Improve your English language skills through conversation, reading activities and discussion. For intermediate to advanced English language learners.
• CENTRAL
  Wednesdays, 5–6:30 pm

Spanish Conversation Circle
Improve your Spanish in an informal, supportive group.
• CHERRYHILL
  Wednesdays, Sep. 5–Nov. 28, 7–8:30 pm
  No sessions Dec. 26 or Jan. 2.

Tea & Talk: An Informal Conversation Group for Newcomers
Practice your language skills in a safe and comfortable English-Arabic environment. In partnership with LUSO Community Services. Register by contacting Maha El-Assadi at maha@lusocentre.org or 519-452-1466.
• BEACOCK
  Fridays, 9:30–11:30 am

Opening Doors Project: Mental Health & Wellness 101
Promotes a broad understanding of mental health and the social determinants that impact the health of individuals and communities. In partnership with London Middlesex Local Immigration Partnership and Canadian Mental Health Association, Toronto.
• CHERRYHILL
  Wednesday, Feb. 13, 10 am–12 pm

Librarian Settlement Partnership
Library Settlement Workers speak a variety of languages and help newcomers find services in London. They provide information about language learning, housing, health care services, immigration issues, library services and more.
• BEACOCK
  Tuesdays–Thursdays, 9 am–8 pm
  Fridays & Saturdays, 9 am–5 pm
• JALNA
  Tuesdays–Fridays, 9 am–6 pm
  Saturdays, 9 am–5 pm

Discover Canada: Canadian Citizenship Preparation
Families and individuals can receive assistance to prepare for their Canadian Citizenship Test. Participants learn about the areas of the test, including Canadian history, government, rights and responsibilities, geography, economy, elections, etc. Some materials provided.
• JALNA
  Saturdays, 11 am–1 pm

In Partnership with CROSS CULTURAL LEARNER CENTRE

English Conversational Circles for Newcomers to Canada
Celebrate diversity through friendship and cultural exchange. All newcomers welcome. In partnership with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada. Register by calling 519-432-1133.
• CENTRAL
  Mondays, 7–8:30 pm
  Fridays, 10:30 am–12 pm
• EAST LONDON
  Tuesdays, 1–2:30 pm
• BOSTWICK
  Tuesdays, 6:30–8 pm
• CHERRYHILL
  Tuesdays, 6:30–8 pm
• MASONVILLE
  Tuesdays, 6:30–8 pm
• BEACOCK
  Wednesdays, 6:30–8 pm
• JALNA
  Wednesdays, 6:30–8 pm
• SHERWOOD
  Thursdays, 6:30–8 pm
• STONEY CREEK
  Thursdays, 6:30–8 pm
• POND MILLS
  Saturdays, 2:30–4 pm

Getting to Know Canada Conversation Circle
Helps newcomers to Canada feel more at home by covering such topics as Canada’s history, geography, economy, government structure, human and civil rights, and culture. All are welcome to share and learn. Register by calling 519-432-1133.
• STONEY CREEK
  Tuesdays, Feb. 19–Apr. 2, 6:30–8 pm

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• STONEY CREEK
  Tuesdays, Feb. 19–Apr. 2, 6:30–8 pm
Newcomer, Language & Literacy

In Partnership with LONDON INTERCOMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

Women of the World
Connect and share experiences with other immigrant women. Learn about issues that are important to your health and the health of your family, and get information about services in the city. Childcare is provided.

• CENTRAL
  Thursdays, Dec. 6, 20, Jan. 3, 17, Feb. 7, 21, 6–8 pm
• SHERWOOD
  Saturdays, Dec. 1, Jan. 5, 9, Feb. 2, 16, 10 am–12 pm

In Partnership with SOUTH LONDON NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE

Adult Chit-Chat for Newcomers
An informal setting for adult newcomers to practice everyday English expressions. For information, or to register, contact Newcomer Settlement Services at the South London Neighbourhood Resource Centre, 519-686-8600 x7580.

• SHERWOOD
  Tuesdays, 1:30–3 pm
• JALNA
  Tuesdays, 6–7:30 pm

ESL for Seniors
Designed for the older immigrant adult, classes focus on learning and using the type of English necessary for everyday living with an emphasis on Canadian customs and culture.

• CHERRYHILL
  Tuesdays or Thursdays, 9:15–11:45 am

ESL for Adult Newcomers
Classes focus on learning and using the type of English necessary for everyday living with an emphasis on Canadian customs and culture.

• STONEY CREEK
  Tuesdays, 9:15–11:45 am
• MASONVILLE
  Wednesdays, 9:15–11:45 am

ESL for Advanced Learners
Develop English skills with a focus on workplace related communications and speaking clearly. English tasks are based on situations that students identify as challenging.

• BEACOCK
  Tuesdays, 6–8:30 pm

In Partnership with THAMES VALLEY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

For all classes in partnership with the Thames Valley District School Board, participants must bring their PR card, citizenship card, passport, and provide recent Canadian Language Benchmark (CLB) scores in order to register. For an initial language assessment, call the CLARS Centre at 519-432-1133. If space is available, non-permanent residents are welcome to join the course for a fee. Priority is given to permanent residents, convention refugees, refugee claimants, and naturalized citizens. For more information about the classes, call the TVDSB Adult ESL office, 519-452-2000 x69715. Join anytime and register with the class instructor. NO CLASSES DEC. 25 to JAN. 3

Easy Listening and Speaking for ESL Learners
Improve your English without pressure or tests! Learn listening, speaking, pronunciation and grammar without memorizing rules. Suitable for intermediate to advanced ESL learners.

• CENTRAL
  Wednesdays, 6–8:30 pm

IELTS / TOEFL Preparation
Class is designed for students who must take the TOEFL or IELTS test for admission to college or university, or to become recertified in their professions in Canada.

• SHERWOOD
  Wednesdays, 6–8:30 pm

Citizenship Prep Course
Learn everything you need to be successful on the Canadian Citizenship Test. Reserve your seat online at https://forms.tvdsb.ca/2018-Citizenship-Test-Preparation-Class, or contact the TVDSB Adult ESL office, esl@tvdsb.ca or 519-452-2660 x69715. Class will not run with insufficient enrollment.

• CHERRYHILL
  Tuesdays, 6–8:30 pm
• SHERWOOD
  Tuesdays, 6–8:30 pm

Take home these bags packed with learning resources available in four levels, beginner to academic.
Creativity

Zine Fiends: Monthly Zine Club
Zines connect people through self-published art and ideas. Zines are a great way to share your ideas and passions. No experience required.
• CENTRAL
  2nd Monday of month, 6:30–8:30 pm

Cherryhill Brushes & Needles
Bring your painting or needlework projects for a morning get-together.
• CHERRYHILL
  Wednesdays, 9:30–11:30 am

Knitting Circles
Learn to knit, improve your skills and share your knowledge with others.
• EAST LONDON
  Tuesdays, 12:30–2:30 pm
  • CROUCH
    Tuesdays, 1:30–3:30 pm
  • BEACOCK
    Wednesdays, 1–4 pm
  • CENTRAL
    Wednesdays, 9:30–11:30 am
    • BYRON
      Thursdays, 2 pm–4 pm
    • LANDON
      Thursdays, 1–3 pm
    • CROUCH
      Thursdays, 7–9 pm

Byron Creative Crafts
Work on your own knitting, crocheting, paper craft or other projects.
• BYRON
  Wednesdays, 9 am–12 pm

Lambeth Library Artists
Bring your sketch pad, paint and supplies.
• LAMBETH
  1st and 3rd Wednesday of month, 1:30–3 pm

Lambeth Crafters & Friendship Group
Join this group of Lambeth seniors who gather to stitch, visit and share a light snack.
• LAMBETH
  2nd & 4th Wednesday of month, 9:30–11 am

Paint at Byron
Bring your own paint supplies for an informal afternoon of painting.
• BYRON
  Thursdays, 1–4 pm

Itch to Stitch Club
Bring your project of knitting, crocheting, looming or rug hooking. Get help from others to learn how to stitch. A $2 weekly donation for supplies is appreciated. In partnership with the Alice Saddy Association.
• SHERWOOD
  Thursdays, 1–3 pm

Make, Create & Explore in The Studio
The Studio is open for self-directed creation with materials and tools available. Check out the Idea Board each visit to get your creative juices flowing and come prepared to get messy! Check website for list of activities. Children 11 years and under welcome with adult supervision.
• LANDON
  Saturdays, 2:30–4 pm
  No session Dec. 1

Tatting, Anyone?
Members of Fringe Element Tatters demonstrate and teach the art of tatting. Basic supplies provided for beginners.
• CARSON
  3rd Saturday of month, 1:30–4:30 pm

Make-a-Zine Holiday Workshop
Join the first Make-a-Zine workshop by Crow & Moon Press and Zine Fiends. A fun and unique opportunity to create gifts for the upcoming holiday season.
• CENTRAL
  Saturday, Dec. 8, 11 am–3 pm

Valentines for Vets
Bring Joy to a Canadian Veteran with a Handmade Valentine.
Show Veterans your gratitude for their sacrifices and achievements in serving our country. Create a handmade valentine at any library location through the month of January. We will send the valentines to Veterans Affairs Canada for distribution to Veterans in long term care facilities.
Show the Love!
• ALL LOCATIONS
  Jan. 2–Jan. 31. Library hours
Creativity

A Labs waiver is required to participate in sessions in The Labs. The waiver can be signed online in advance or at the beginning of the session. Basic computer skills required. www.lpl.ca/thelabs

Labs Hours (All Ages)
Meet Alan, our Digital Literacy Facilitator, and explore The Labs. Try your hand at robotics, sewing and more. Labs hours are subject to posted changes.

• CENTRAL
Tuesday–Friday, 3:30–5:30 pm
Saturday, 2:30–4:30 pm
No Labs hours on February 15 or 16.

THEMES
Nov. 27–Dec. 1: Messy Week
Dec. 4–15: Green Screen Winter & Holiday Photos
Jan. 8–12: Fake Vacation Week
Jan. 15–19: Sandy Science Week
Jan. 22–Feb. 2: Coding Literacy
Feb. 5–14: Make it Move
Feb. 19–Mar. 2: Sew-What?

Intro to The Studio
Interested in using the Library's audio studio to record music or a podcast? Not sure where to start? This orientation provides the basics on using the equipment and software available.

• CENTRAL
Tuesday, Jan. 8, 7–8:30 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 5, 7–8:30 pm

Machine Sewing 101
Come for an introduction to the Library’s Singer sewing machines. Learn to thread the machine, fill a bobbin and perform basic stitches.

• CENTRAL
Monday, Jan. 14, 7–8:30 pm
Monday, Feb. 11, 7–8:30 pm

Intro to the Memory Lab
Do you have old home videos or photo negatives taking up space on your shelves? This orientation will show you how to digitize these formats as well as audio cassettes and documents. We will also discuss the importance of digitizing your family history for the future.

• CENTRAL
Tuesday, Jan. 15, 7–8:30 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 12, 7–8:30 pm

Intro to 3D Printing & Design
This program provides an overview of how 3D printing works. You will learn how to locate and create files, and how to submit files for 3D printing to the Library.

• CENTRAL
Tuesday, Jan. 22, 7–8:30 pm
Thursday, Feb. 21, 7–8:30 pm

Intro to the Media Lab
Have you got the photography or videography bug? Interested in green screens? This orientation provides the basics of using the equipment and software available in the Media Lab.

• CENTRAL
Tuesday, Jan. 29, 7–8:30 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 26, 7–8:30 pm
**Ideas & Issues**

**Socrates Cafe**
An open forum in an informal environment for everyone who enjoys listening, thinking and talking about life’s big questions.

- **CENTRAL**
  - Last Monday of month, 7–8:30 pm
  - Dec. 17: What Is Important to Accomplish in This Life?
  - Jan. 28: Does Religion Have Any Future?
  - Feb. 25: Is the UN The Only Way To World Peace? If Not, Why Not?

**R-Ladies #LdnOnt: Promoting Gender Diversity in the R User Community**
A low key get-together for ladies interested in using and learning more about R, a powerful statistical software program. We feature different topics and speakers, and time to practice hands-on. Bring your device and come with R and R Studio installed.

- **CENTRAL**
  - Last Thursday of month, 5:30–7:30 pm
  - No session in December.

**Philosophy Lectures Series**
In partnership with Western University’s Department of Philosophy

- **CENTRAL**
  - Thursdays, 7–8:30 pm
  - Jan. 17: Five Questions about Women and Well-Being
  - Jan. 24: Thriving Children
  - Jan. 31: Aging Alone? The Well-Being of Older Adults without Close Kin
  - Feb. 7: Philosophy and the Science of Happiness

**ReThink Poverty**
A workshop designed to provide attendees with an opportunity to learn more about the issue of poverty and focus on solutions for addressing the systemic and structural causes of poverty. Presented by Bridges Out of Poverty Circles, Goodwill Industries.

- **CENTRAL**
  - Saturday, Jan. 19, 2–4 pm
  - CROUCH
  - Saturday, Jan. 26, 2–4 pm
  - BOSTWICK
  - Saturday, Feb. 2, 2–4 pm
  - JALNA
  - Saturday, Feb. 9, 2–4 pm
  - BEACOCK
  - Saturday, Feb. 23, 2–4 pm

**NeighbourGood London Workshop**
Designed to help you connect with your neighbours and build community. Learn from experts and connect with like-minded people. In partnership with the City of London and Urban League of London.

- **CENTRAL**
  - Last Thursday of month, 5:30–7:30 pm
  - No session in December.

**Western Presents: #PublicInterest Talks**
Lectures featuring researchers from the Faculty of Information & Media Studies, Western University.

- **LANDON**
  - This is your Data Double
  - Tuesday, Jan. 29, 7–8:30 pm

**Finding Your Way 2019**
Three events offering a series of lectures on the psychology of everyday life. In partnership with Western University’s Department of Psychology.

- **CENTRAL**
  - Saturday, Feb. 2, 10 am–3 pm
  - Six talks in one day. Topic Titles: Thrive: Positive Psychology Strategies for Your Everyday Life; Emotion Regulation: Taking Control of Your Emotions; Mindfulness Workshop: Distress Tolerance: Coping with Crisis; For Fast-Acting Relief, Try Slowing Down: Coping Effectively with Chronic Pain; Body Blame: Eating Disorders, Weight Stigma & Social Justice. For schedule and descriptions see Finding Your Way at www.lpl.ca/programs.

- **CENTRAL**
  - Wednesday, Feb. 6, 6:30–8 pm
  - 6:30–7:10 pm: Aggression in Childhood & Adolescence
  - 7:20–8 pm: Sleep in Children & Youth: How Much, What’s Problematic, and How Can They Sleep Better?

- **CENTRAL**
  - Thursday, Feb. 21, 6:30–7:10 pm
  - “Just Snap Out of It” A Discussion & Exploration of Common Mental Health Myths
Parenting

Healthy Start Infant Drop-Ins
Talk to a public health nurse about breastfeeding, growth and development, early literacy, nutrition and safety. Learn about community support programs for birth to 6 months of age. In partnership with Middlesex-London Health Unit.
• SHERWOOD
  Wednesdays, 9:30–11:30 am

Prenatal Classes
Meet other families and learn about pregnancy, coping through labour and birth, physical and emotional changes after birth, infant feeding, infant safety, and how to care for your new baby. In partnership with Middlesex-London Health Unit. Register by visiting www.healthunit.com/prenatal-health.
Fee: $30. Fee can be waived.
• SHERWOOD
  Wednesdays, Jan. 9-30, 6:30–8:30 pm
• BYRON
  Tuesdays, Jan. 15-Feb. 5, 6:30–8:30 pm
• CHERRYHILL
  Thursdays, Jan. 17-Feb. 7, 6:30–8:30 pm
• STONEY CREEK
  Tuesdays, Jan. 22-Feb. 12, 6:30–8:30 pm
• JALNA
  Thursdays, Jan. 31-Feb. 21, 6:30–8:30 pm
• MASONVILLE
  Thursdays, Feb. 14-Mar. 7, 6:30–8:30 pm

Prep for Parenthood
This class focuses on strengthening the relationship with your partner, adjusting to your new parenting role, and time management. In partnership with Middlesex-London Health Unit.
• CENTRAL
  Saturday, Feb. 9, 10 am–1 pm
  Register by calling 519-663-5317 x2772.

For Older Adults

Current Events Discussion Group
Stay current on the latest news and politics with other retired adults.
• LONDON
  1st & 3rd Wednesday of month, 10–11:30 am
• MASONVILLE
  1st & 3rd Thursday of month, 1:30–3:30 pm

French Seniors’ Group / Groupe en français pour personnes âgées
An opportunity to speak French with other Francophone seniors. We focus on educational and health information sessions, and sharing experiences in French. In partnership with London InterCommunity Health Centre.
• JALNA
  Wednesdays, 1–3 pm
• CHERRYHILL
  Fridays, 1–3 pm

Exercise the SMART Way
Get a natural high by joining these fun, energetic classes. In partnership with VON.
• CHERRYHILL
  Fridays, 10–11 am
  No sessions Dec. 28 or Jan. 4.

Real Estate Options
Find out what your real estate options are. Part of the Educational Opportunities for Seniors series.
• BOSTWICK
  Wednesday, Jan. 16, 1:30–2:30 pm
  Register by calling Third Age Outreach, 519-661-1621.

Do You Remember When?
A lively and spirited reminiscence discussion group. Discover vintage items, memorabilia and old photos to spark great memories of your neighbourhood or London, Ontario. This is part of the New Horizons for Canada partnership with Museum London and London Public Library.
• BYRON
  Wednesday, Jan. 16, 7–8:30 pm
• CHERRYHILL
  Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2–3:30 pm
• CROUCH
  Wednesday, Jan. 23, 7–8:30 pm

Retirement Living Options
Thinking about retirement living for yourself or a loved one? Wondering about the cost and the services included? This talk will answer questions and provide you with valuable information. Part of the Educational Opportunities for Seniors series.
• CHERRYHILL
  Wednesday, Feb. 20, 1:30–2:30 pm
  Register by calling Third Age Outreach, 519-661-1621.
Health & Wellness

CMHA: Welcome Centres
Community Wellness Workers are on site on the second floor of Central Library and at Sherwood Branch to assist with referrals and access to community services for those experiencing life challenges. In partnership with the Canadian Mental Health Association, Middlesex.
- CENTRAL
  Wednesdays, 9:30 am–5 pm
- SHERWOOD
  Thursdays, 2–5 pm

In partnership with CANADIAN MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION, MIDDLESEX.

CMHA: Men’s Group
Share and discuss topics such as men’s physical and mental health, finding purpose, relationships and communication, and demystifying machismo.
- CROUCH
  Thursdays, 2–4 pm

CMHA: Helpful Hints for the Hectic Holidays
Strategies to manage the pressures of the holiday season. Ideas for coping and the importance of self-care are key components in this workshop.
- CENTRAL
  Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2–3:30 pm

CMHA: Writing for Your Spirit: Connect with Your Inner Wisdom
Explore ways that writing can help to unravel the daily chaos and internal chatter we all experience. Connect with your own internal wisdom through writing.
- LANDON
  Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1:30–3:30 pm
  Register by calling 519-808-5191.

CMHA: Mind Supplied
Provides information about health and wellness. Participants will have an opportunity to consider the facts as they relate to their own journey to health and wellness.
- POND MILLS
  Wednesdays, Jan. 8–Feb. 27, 2:30–4:30 pm
  Register by calling 519-432-1607 x424.

CMHA: Clear Your Clutter
For individuals who struggle with the distress of having too much stuff and no space to store it.
- JALNA
  Thursday, Jan. 17, 7–8:30 pm

CMHA: The Art of Letting Go
Help in learning: the reasons to let go, how you will know when it’s time to let go, and the ways and reasons to forgive.
- SHERWOOD
  Fridays, Jan. 18–Feb. 22, 2–4 pm
  Register by calling 519-432-1607 x416 or x424.

CMHA: Perfectly, Imperfect
Learn exercises and activities to encourage self-compassion and cultivate a gentler, less judgemental self-image.
- SHERWOOD
  Thursdays, Jan. 24–Feb. 28, 2–4 pm
  Register by calling 519-432-1607 x416 or x424.

CMHA: Assert Yourself
Learn how to communicate your thoughts, feelings and needs in a more effective and positive way.
- LANDON
  Tuesdays, Jan. 29–Mar. 5, 10–12 pm
  Register by calling 519-432-1607 x421.

Noon Meditation
Recharge your batteries in the middle of the day. Improve your immune system, energy levels and emotional stability.
- CENTRAL
  Tuesdays, 12–1 pm

Paws for a Pet
Drop by the second floor of the Central Library and spend time with a St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog. Bask in the furry love and boost your spirits.
- CENTRAL
  No sessions Dec. 19 and Jan. 2.

Laughter Yoga
We are healthier when we laugh. In this class you stand or sit, and clap, stretch and laugh.
- CHERRYHILL
  3rd Thursday of month, 11 am–12 pm

Recovery Canada: Mental Health
Recovery Canada provides weekly peer-led, self-help meetings to overcome fear, anxiety and anger. All are welcome.
- CROUCH
  Fridays, 2–3:30 pm

Building a Dementia-Friendly Community
Learn more about dementia and help combat the stigma surrounding it. Explore how to better support people impacted by dementia in living well. Presented by the Alzheimer Society London and Middlesex.
- BYRON
  Wednesday, Dec. 5, 11 am–12 pm
- CHERRYHILL
  Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2–3 pm
- CENTRAL
  Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2:30–3:30 pm
- EAST LONDON
  Tuesday, Jan. 29, 12–1 pm
Learning & Support Group for Adult Survivors of Child Trauma
Adult survivors of child abuse are welcome in this safe space to learn and support each other. Please note these sessions are not therapy.
• CENTRAL
2nd & 4th Saturday of month, 10 am–12 pm

Opening Doors Project: Know Your Rights 101
Ideal for newcomers, service providers, mental health service users and mental health workers. Aims to familiarize participants with the Ontario Human Rights Code and build strategies for dealing with discrimination and harassment, including ways of accessing the OHRC. Registration required.
• CHERRYHILL
Wednesday, Feb. 13, 1:30–3:30 pm
Registration begins Dec. 1.

Navigating the Mental Health System: Finding Your Way 2019
What can you expect from London Mental Health Services? Learn where and when to find help, what services our city has to offer, and how you can get involved.
• CENTRAL
Thursday, Feb. 21, 7:20–8 pm

Let’s Talk About It: You Are Not Alone
Join us for conversation, connection and time together to ‘talk about it.’ Enjoy refreshments, find information and engage in dialogue about mental health awareness. In partnership with Canadian Mental Health Association, Middlesex.
• BYRON
11 am–12 pm

CMHA: Sharing Our Stories for Let’s Talk Day
Listen to recovery stories and meet individuals with lived experience as part of Bell Let’s Talk Day. Everyone is welcome. In partnership with Canadian Mental Health Association, Middlesex.
• CENTRAL
2:00–3:30 pm

Free RPG Day in the Forest City 2018
A day of games, including organized Dungeons & Dragons Adventurers League games. A collaborative community gaming event in partnership with L.A.Moods Comics & Games, Uber Cool Stuff, The Game Chamber, Emerald Dreams and Forest City Comicon.
• CENTRAL
Saturday, Dec. 1, 9:30–5 pm

Cards & Conversation
Drop by for euchre, other card games and friendly conversation.
• MASONVILLE
Tuesdays, 2–3:45 pm

CMHA: Cards, Coffee & Conversation
Games galore: euchre, Scrabble, cribbage and more.
• CROUCH
Wednesdays, 2–5 pm

Beacock Coffee & Games Fun
Non-competitive cards and games in a friendly social environment.
• BEACOCK
Fridays, 10–11:30 am

Lambeth Coffee & Games
Games galore: euchre, Scrabble, cribbage and more.
• LAMBETH
Fridays, 1:30–3 pm

Hamilton Road Gaming Group
An open group promoting tabletop games, including historical, fantasy and sci-fi miniatures, board games and card games.
• CROUCH
Saturdays, 10 am–4 pm
Special Help

Housing Stability Bank
The Housing Stability Bank provides small grants and interest free loans to assist Londoners at risk of homelessness to obtain and retain their housing. Housing Stability Bank workers are available to complete applications for assistance and provide information and referrals to community resources. In partnership with The Salvation Army Centre of Hope in cooperation with the City of London, London Hydro and Union Gas. All applications are completed by appointment only. Contact housing@centreofhope.ca or 519-964-3663 x300.

• BEACOCK
  Thursdays, 9 am–3:30 pm

• EAST LONDON
  2nd Saturday of month, 9 am–1 pm
  Wednesdays, 1–5 pm

• JALNA
  Tuesdays, 9 am–12 pm
  Fridays, 1–5 pm
  4th Saturday of month, 12:30–4:30 pm

• POND MILLS
  Tuesdays, 1–5 pm

• SHERWOOD
  Tuesdays, 9 am–12 pm

Community Volunteer Income Tax Clinic for 2017 Returns
Need help doing your 2017 income tax return? Volunteers from the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program help individuals with an income of less than $30,000 and couples with a combined income of less than $40,000 complete their income tax and benefit return. Please note: volunteers are not agents of Canada Revenue Agency. Volunteers do not complete income tax and benefit returns for deceased persons, bankrupt individuals or individuals who report capital gains or losses, employment expenses, business or rental income and expenses. For more information regarding other tax clinics, visit: https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/individuals/community-volunteer-income-tax-program.html

• CROUCH
  Wednesdays, Dec. 5–19, 9:30 am–12 pm

The Power of Estate Planning
Have your questions answered about preparing your will and estate plan. Learn about the importance of preparing a will as well as choosing a power of attorney. Enjoy refreshments and a chance to win door prizes while having your questions answered. In partnership with Forest Lawn Funeral Home & Cemetery.

• CENTRAL
  Wednesday, Dec. 5, 11–11:45 am

Budget Bootcamp
Start the New Year by taking control of your money and creating a plan to get yourself on the path to financial stability.

• CROUCH
  Saturdays, Jan. 5–Feb. 8, 10 am–12 pm
  Registration begins Dec. 1.
Programs & Classes with a Fee

Silk Scarf Workshop
Have fun dyeing a silk scarf – it makes a great gift! Part of the Educational Opportunities for Seniors series. Register by calling Third Age Outreach, 519-661-1621. Fee: $5
- BEACOCK
Wednesday, Dec. 12, 1:30–3:30 pm

Create Exquisite Greeting Cards
Learn various techniques and create exquisite greeting cards. Supported by the Lambeth Lions Club. Fee: $6
- LAMBETH
2nd Friday of month, 1:30–3 pm

Tai Chi: Beginner & Intermediate
An instructor from the Phoenix Tai Chi Centre leads a class. Participants sign a waiver for instructors at the first class. Fee: $45
- BYRON
Tuesdays, Jan. 8–Feb. 26, 1–2 pm
Registration begins Dec. 18.

Painting with Peter Lam
London artist Peter Lam provides guidance for artists of all levels. Contact branch for list of materials. Fee: $70
- BYRON
Tuesdays, Jan. 9–Feb. 26, 10 am–12 pm
Registration begins Dec. 11.

Focus on Art at Crouch
Join a group of established artists of mixed media. Fee: $50
- CROUCH
Thursdays, Jan. 10–Mar. 21, 1–4 pm
No session Mar. 14.

Watercolour Painting: Intermediate/Advanced
Helen Bruzas shares her enthusiasm and knowledge in this class. Participants bring their own supplies. Fee: $60
- CHERRYHILL
Fridays, Jan. 11–Mar. 1, 1–3:30 pm
Registration begins Dec. 28.

Exercise Your Power with IntenSati
IntenSati is Intent (Intention) + Sati (Mindfulness), a workout that involves both mind and body, creating a positive emotion during physical activity, thereby changing your body chemistry and enabling you to gain clarity and purpose. Facilitated by Joan Fernandez. Fee: $40
- BYRON
Saturdays, Jan. 12–Feb. 16, 10–10:45 am

Tai Chi Qi Gong: 18 Movements
Tai Chi Qi Gong is an effective exercise for improving flexibility and posture, strength and balance, and the integration of body and mind.

Introductory
Fee: $30
- MASONVILLE
Wednesdays, Jan. 16–Feb. 27, 6:30–7:30 pm
No class on Feb. 6.
Registration begins Jan. 2.

Intermediate
Fee: $30
- MASONVILLE
Wednesdays, Jan. 16–Feb. 27, 7:40 pm–8:40 pm
No session Feb. 6.
Registration begins Jan. 2.

Vision Boards: Dreaming Your Life
Visualize your year, retirement, life, vacation, goals, hobbies, or wherever your dreams lead you! Make creative and motivational vision boards that provide inspiration all year round. Basic supplies provided, but feel free to bring your own. Fee: $10
- BYRON
Thursday, Feb. 7, 6:30–8:30 pm
Registration begins Jan. 2.

Paint Night for Adults & Teens
15+ years
A fun night of painting in The Studio. Each participant will leave with their painted canvas. Beginners welcome. Dress for a mess! Fee: $10
- LANDON
Wednesday, Feb. 6, 6:30–8:30 pm
Registration begins Jan. 2.

Tai Chi for Adults and Seniors
Tai Chi is a gentle series of flowing moves that reduce stress, improve balance, increase flexibility and strengthen muscles and joints. Fee: $40
- LANDON
Thursdays, Jan. 17–Mar. 7, 11–12 pm
Registration begins Jan. 3.
Most classes are taught on the Library’s Windows based computers. You are encouraged to bring your own device to the iPhone, Android Phone, iPad and Android Tablet classes. No laptops permitted.

Registration is required for each class. Classes are two hours. Register for each class up to two weeks in advance. You may take any class more than once. Free.

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1:1 Technology Help

BOOK A LIBRARIAN
If you need help accessing the Library’s eBook collection, our Book A Librarian service is available for one-hour appointments with Library Staff. Call 519-661-4600 or request a Book A Librarian Session through our website: www.lpl.ca/bal. CENTRAL

EBOOK HELP
Download eBooks or audiobooks to your tablet, eReader or mobile device with assistance from Library Staff using our downloadable catalogue. Book an appointment: Thursdays at 2:30 pm or Saturdays at 10 am, by calling 519-660-4646. MASONVILLE

Computers at Your Library

- Free access available at all libraries
- 120 Minutes per day
- Log On with your Library Card & PIN
- Search the Internet
- Check Email
- Use Microsoft Word, Excel & PowerPoint
- Print for a small fee

Computer Help

Get computer help with our technology volunteers. Bring your questions about using a computer, email and more. Call participating locations below to book an appointment, or confirm tutor availability.

Locations with *** require appointments.

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CENTRAL: 519-661-4600***
CHERRYHILL: 519-439-6456
JALNA: 519-685-6465
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1918: The South Branch Library opened at 14 Askim Street to meet the needs of the growing Old South neighbourhood. This was London's second branch library, the first being the East London Branch (now Carson branch) in 1915.

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NEW WELCOME CENTRE OPEN AT SHERWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY

Community Wellness Workers are now available at Sherwood Branch Library, Thursdays, 2 to 5 pm, providing support to individuals facing life’s challenges, and information and referrals for mental health and addiction services. Like the Welcome Centre at Central Library that opened in June 2017, the goal is to raise awareness and reduce barriers to services by bringing professional staff to a safe community space where people visit and spend time.

The Sherwood Branch Welcome Centre brings an added focus on the needs of children and youth with a Youth Outreach Worker from London InterCommunity Health Centre working alongside a Mental Health Worker from Canadian Mental Health Association Middlesex. Brent Carr, Community Wellness Manager with CMHA, says, “Youth and young families with children may not know where to turn for support and information. Creating recognition and familiarity through this service makes it easier to reach out.” Libraries, as places where young people and families gather after school to use computers, attend homework clubs or meet with friends, are ideal places for providing information on programs and services.

The Welcome Centres at Sherwood Branch and Central Library are a partnership between London Public Library, Canadian Mental Health Association Middlesex and London InterCommunity Health Centre.

WELCOME CENTRES
Community Wellness Workers are available to talk with individuals facing life challenges and provide information and referrals for mental health and addiction services.

CENTRAL LIBRARY
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SHERWOOD BRANCH
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Jan. 30, 2019

CMHA: Sharing Our Stories
Listen to recovery stories and meet individuals with lived experience. Everyone is welcome.
2:00–3:30 pm | Central Library 2nd Floor

Paws for a Pet
Drop in to de-stress and spend time with St. John Ambulance Therapy Dogs.
10:30 am – 12:00 pm | Beacock, Central, Pond Mills

CMHA: Let’s Talk About It: You Are Not Alone
Join us in the comfy chairs to talk and connect with others while enjoying refreshments. Mental health information will be available.
11 am – 12 pm | Byron

Watch for a new initiative that will brighten your day, launching at our locations in January.
“You don’t think about needing these services until it happens to you,” says Brian Cahill, referring to mental health care services he needed after being diagnosed with clinical depression last November. Brian is a retired advertising executive who had run companies all over the world and been self-assured and confident about decision making and achieving goals. Though he has friends in many countries, he became isolated in London after coping with the illnesses and deaths of his brother to cancer and his sister to Alzheimer’s while also experiencing financial difficulties. At the age of 75, Brian found himself socially isolated, struggling financially and unaware of services and supports available to him, one of the 17 to 34% of seniors, he has since discovered, who will cope with a mental health issue.

After the loss of his sister, Brian declined rapidly and by last fall had made the decision to end his life. Fortunately, his family intervened and brought him to the Canadian Mental Health Association Crisis Centre, the beginning of his journey through the mental health care system. Once stabilized, Brian found himself back at home waiting for an appointment with a Transition Care Manager who would help him navigate the system, a process that can take up to two months due to the high demand for services.

That’s when Brian discovered the CMHA Welcome Centre at Central Library, a service he says was invaluable during the waiting period. Brian gets emotional when talking about Carolyn and Crystal, the Mental Health Workers who staff the Welcome Centre, saying, “They give hope when you’re talking to them. They have such empathy, but also a real knowledge of the system and available programs.”

He was referred to a men’s support group and a program for anxiety, and informed of financial supports available to seniors on small pensions, immediate steps he could take to move forward with recovery. Brian has only good things to say about all of the care he has received from our mental health care system, but the direct access he had to professional help through the Welcome Centre was a huge relief to him at that difficult time. He will always remember that staff listened without judgement and gave him hope when he most needed it.

Brian Cahill talked about his experience with clinical depression at Telling Our Stories, a Canadian Mental Health Association event held at Central Library on October 3 during Mental Illness Awareness Week. Sharing his story publicly was a way he could let others know they’re not alone in experiencing mental health issues, and of acknowledging all of the compassionate professionals, working in the mental health care field, who helped him to recover. These days Brian feels that he has his life back and gives back by volunteering with nonprofit organizations.

Search Library Spotlight: Mental Health and Wellness in our catalogue for a list of books and resources on mental health and wellness.
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday, January 23
6:30 pm | Central Library
All Welcome

7:15 pm | Wolf Performance Hall
Friend’s reception during intermission

Come out for an evening of jazz and meet the Friends of the London Public Library, a dedicated group of volunteers who support library programs and projects through fundraising initiatives like The Library Store and the annual Giant Book Sale. Jazz for the People is a free concert series, featuring local and regional musicians, made possible through funding by the Friends.

Friends Book Sale: Another Success!
The Friends of the Library annual Giant Book Sale was a hit once again, raising almost $35,000. Sale Coordinator Don Menard said the crowds of happy shoppers found them in their new location at Centennial Hall, with lots of positive comments on the downtown venue. The Friends send out a big thank you to the nearly 150 volunteers who work hard all weekend to make the sale a success every year. Photo above of Friends executive members, from left, Don Menard, Carmen Sprovieri, Library Board Chair Stuart Clark and Mary Blasl.

London Public Library’s
A BOOK FOR EVERY CHILD 2018
November 3 – December 15
Give the gift of reading to a child who might not be able to own a book of his or her own. Donate books or make a financial contribution at any Library location all year long. These local book stores generously offer a discount on books purchased and donated at the story during the campaign.

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Indigo – 86 Fanshawe Park Rd. E.
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The Book Store at Western – University Community Centre

Book donations purchased at these stores are picked up by Friends of the Library volunteers.
www.lpl.ca/abookforeverychild
New in Our Collections

**ADULT FICTION**

- *All the Lives We Never Lived*
  Anuradha Roy

- *The Gown*
  Jennifer Robson

- *The Golden Tresses of the Dead*
  Alan Bradley

- *Ladder to the Sky*
  John Boyne

- *Watching You*
  Lisa Jewell

**ADULT NONFICTION**

- *Living Debt-Free: The No-Shame, No-Blame Guide*
  Shannon Lee Simmons

- *Brutally Honest*
  Melanie Brown

- *The Boys in the Cave: Inside the Rescue in Thailand*
  Matt Gutman

- *What to Eat When: A Strategic Plan*
  Michael Roizen & Michael Crupain

- *The Apprentice: Trump, Russia & the Subversion of American Democracy*
  Greg Miller

**CHILDREN’S FICTION**

- *Inkling*
  Kenneth Oppel

- *The Lotterys More or Less*
  Emma Donoghue

- *Elephant Secret*
  Eric Walters

- *Call of the Wraith* (Blackthorn Key series)
  Kevin Sands

- *Sweep: The Story of a Girl and Her Monster*
  Jonathan Auxier
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Get a Card!
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Borrowing Periods
Limit of 20 DVDs per card. Maximum of 60 items per card.
- Books & CDs: 21 days
- eBooks & eAudio: up to 21 days
- Hotspots: 21 days
- All other DVDs: 21 days
- Feature Film DVDs: 7 days
- Quick Picks & Magazines: 7 days
- High demand material: 7 days
- Games: 7 days
- Laptops: 7 days
- eVideo: up to 5 days

Returns
You can return most materials to any London Public Library location during any open hours or in our return chutes when we are closed. Return games and laptops to the location from which they were borrowed during open hours, not through return chutes.

Renewals
Limit of 3 renewals on items. You cannot renew Quick Picks, high demand materials or items with holds. Renew items:
- in person at any library
- online – use My Account tab
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More than Books
Borrow Laptops, Hotspots, Board Games and more.

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All locations have computers you can use with your Library card. Ask staff about setting up a PIN to log in to our computers or wireless network.

Our computers have a variety of software programs for you to use. You can print for a small fee.

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visit: www.lpl.ca/meetingsandevents

Program Registration
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London Public Library Board
Meets monthly on a Thursday at 5:30 pm in the Board Room at Central Library. All are welcome. Agendas, Minutes and Reports are available online.

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301 Oxford St. W.  N6H 1S6

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2016 Dundas St. E.  N6P 1A2

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30 North Centre Rd.  N5X 3W1

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Wednesday  9 am–9 pm  
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Friday  9 am–6 pm  
Saturday  9 am–5 pm

CARSON & LAMBETH  
Tues.  1–5 pm & 6–9 pm  
Wed.  9–noon & 1–5 pm  
Thurs.  1–5 pm & 6–9 pm  
Fri.  9–noon & 1–5 pm  
Sat.  9–noon & 1–5 pm

GLANWORTH  
Tuesday  7–9 pm  
Saturday  10 am–noon

**HOLIDAY HOURS**

December 24, 2018: Central Library open 9 am–12:30 pm. Branches closed Mondays.

December 25 and December 26, 2018: All locations closed.

December 27–December 28, 2018: Locations open regular hours

December 31, 2018: Central Library open 9 am–12:30 pm. Branches closed Mondays.

January 1, 2019: All locations closed

February 18, 2019 (Family Day): Central Library closed

Central Library closed Sundays in December

**QUESTIONS?**

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