School’s out for summer!
Check out our summer programs for kids!

The hottest spot in town
Borrow a laptop or WiFi hotspot.
Your Library is ready for you this summer!
Our 16 locations are great places to visit with your family. Come in and unplug – share time together in our children's areas, then browse for books, movies and board games to take home. We offer programs to inspire the creativity and imagination of children and teens. See our listings starting on page 9. There’s something for every passion!

Whether you’re on the road, at the beach or in a tent this summer, take your Library with you on your mobile device. It’s easy to borrow audiobooks, music, magazines and eBooks online. Looking for language lessons for your trip? Try Mango Languages! Want to take better travel photos? Watch tutorial videos on Lynda.com. Find out what’s available with your library card. www.lpl.ca/digital

FEED YOUR PASSIONS!

TD Summer Reading Club 2018
June 23–August 25
Discover and explore your passions while you read and have fun at the Library. Join us this summer! Register starting June 23 at your local Library.

WHAT FIRES YOUR SPIRIT AND EXCITES YOUR MIND?

Joshua is passionate about soccer! He loves to get pointers on improving his game by watching his favourite star, Cristiano Ronaldo, on YouTube. See page 11 for more photos of kids and their passions.
Summer!

Get Caught!

Get Caught Reading T(w)een Summer Reading Challenge Wild Kingdom Edition

Jun 23–Aug 18. All Locations. (11–17 yrs)
Party on Sat Aug 25, Central Library, 1:30–3:30pm

Fox! Eagle! Cheetah! Your library’s mascot will be revealed at the June 23rd launch. Read and complete challenges to win weekly prizes. Who will be city-wide champion? Show your community pride at our annual GCR party on August 25th with special guest Shut the Front Door Improv! www.lpl.ca/teens

Our Black Cat mascot is on the prowl in this issue of Access! Your first GCR challenge is to find the total number of cats throughout the magazine. This cat’s pretty sly – MAKE SURE TO CHECK EVERY PAGE. When you register for GCR, tell us the correct number of cats and get an extra draw ballot.

REGISTER STARTING JUNE 23

Find-the-Cat Challenge

Thanks to the Western Fair District for their generous support.

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Starting June 1, the Library is loaning out WiFi hotspots and laptop computers. People are used to coming to their local library to use internet computers and WiFi, but this new service allows our community to borrow the internet to take with them.

The Library wants to address the digital divide that can exclude so many from full participation in our community. Everything has moved online – government information, forms and services, educational and training resources, businesses – making internet access and computers essential for many everyday tasks like sending resumes, downloading forms, or researching and submitting assignments for school.

Being able to take the internet and a computer home gives a job searcher extended time to pursue online employment opportunities and to work on resumes using a laptop. It means a student can do research and write a paper for school at home instead of traveling to a library branch and working on an assignment in small chunks of time.

Lisa Manax Skikos, Children & Youth Services Coordinator, talks about the challenges of not having internet access, “Families are really busy and having to physically go somewhere to use a computer every evening for a child to do school work can be a real barrier.”

She points out that learning to use online resources and developing digital literacy are essential skills for future success and are now part of the school curriculum, “Kids coming to libraries for help with their assignments are required to use reputable online sources as well as books. Children who don’t have the internet at home have limited options to get that work done.”

This new service is another way that the Library removes barriers and ensures everyone in our community has access to essential resources. The loan period for WiFi hotspots is three weeks. One may be borrowed per adult or teen library card. Holds can be placed on hotspots. Laptops are available for seven days with a limit of one per adult card. Laptops must be returned to the same location where they are borrowed. Holds are not available for laptops.

The 50 laptops for this program were purchased with an Improving Library Digital Services grant from the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport. The grant also provided funding for 46 new computers for public use in library.

Digital Essentials: we'll help get you started

Learn the basics of using your smartphone, tablet or computer. We'll help you get set up, create accounts, use basic texting and email options, operate the camera, and master basic apps and gestures.

Free classes available! Find class details and schedules at the end of the program listings!
Growing up in Flint, Michigan, Christopher Paul Curtis had heard about the history of Buxton, a small town in southwestern Ontario where runaway and freed slaves had settled and prospered since the mid-1800s. By 2003, Curtis was living in Windsor and had started his extensive research into Buxton’s history that resulted in his series of novels for young readers, *Elijah of Buxton, The Madman of Piney Woods*, and his recently published *The Journey of Little Charlie*, that tell the stories of people who escaped from slavery and were living free for the first time.

Curtis is a bestselling, critically acclaimed author recognized for his award winning fiction for middle-grade readers. His first novel, *The Watsons Go to Birmingham – 1963*, received the Coretta Scott King Award, and his second, *Bud, Not Buddy*, was winner of the Newbery Medal and the Coretta Scott King Award. Both books, as well as his Buxton series, tell African-American stories that expand our understanding of historic time periods like the Great Depression and the civil rights movement.

Coming to writing later in life, Curtis spent years working on an auto plant assembly line before writing his first book during visits to the Windsor Public Library which now has a wing named after him. The characters and stories he has brought to life and shared with us have brought a rich voice and unique perspective to the literary world. Christopher Paul Curtis is also a beloved mentor, literacy advocate and library supporter. The Library is honoured to welcome him on August 17 for a reading from *The Journey of Little Charlie*. Don’t miss this special opportunity!

**Historic Fiction for Young Readers**

*The Watsons Go to Birmingham – 1963*
An African-American family visits Alabama in the midst of the civil rights struggle.

*Bud, Not Buddy*
Set during the Great Depression, this novel follows a ten-year-old black orphan from Flint, Michigan searching for the man he thinks is his father.

**The Buxton Series**

*Elijah of Buxton*
Eleven-year-old Elijah Freeman is the main character in this book that chronicles the lives of those making the transition from slavery to freedom after their arduous journey north.

*The Madman of Piney Woods*
A chance meeting leads two boys to discover they have more in common than meets the eye.

*The Journey of Little Charlie*
Little Charlie, the son of a white sharecropper from South Carolina, accompanies a slave catcher on a life-changing journey north.
Summer is here! That means our Pop Up Library is on the road and coming to an event near you! Megan, our Community Outreach Librarian, raises awareness about our services by bringing the Library out to the community, often in unexpected places. Last year she made her way to the Old East Village Block Party, the Community Cup Culture Festival, Pawlooza, and the Mayor’s Newcomer Picnic – just to name a few!

Megan packs the van with related library materials that can be borrowed on the spot – vegan cookbooks at VegFest, or how-to books on bike repair and maintenance at the Big Bike Giveaway. Library service is available at the Pop Up so you can borrow the books and DVDs on display, update your library card and renew items. Sign up for a card if you don’t have one!

There are always fun and games at the Pop Up too! You could play with a giant Scrabble board or relax in a reading tent. For kids, there’s bound to be a storytime or creative activity. Find the Pop Up Library at festivals, picnics, community celebrations and more great events in London this summer.

Who let the dogs out? Megan met lots of furry friends at Pawlooza.

Beer enthusiasts picked up these buttons at last summer’s Forest City Beer Fest. Megan brought books to borrow – on beer tasting and brewing your own, guides to Ontario craft breweries, and price guides on vintage beer memorabilia. She also set up a display about the history of beer making in London using photos and information from the Ivey Family London Room.

Find the Pop Up Library at these Events

**Community Fun Day**
The Green, Wortley Village | June 21

**Indigenous Solidarity Day**
The Green, Wortley Village | June 21

**OEV Block Party**
Old East Village | July 21

**Pawlooza**
Plunkett Estate | August 18

And More!!!

Kids love stories! Kara with young book lovers at the Community Cup Culture Festival last year.
24th Annual Pride Parade

We love showing our support for diversity, inclusion and community by walking in the Pride Parade. See you there!

Sunday, July 29 12:30 pm

Recommended Reads for All Ages

They She He Me: Free To Be!
Maya & Matthew Gonzalez
Pronouns are used to expand ideas about gender fluidity, identity and kindness.

The House of Impossible Beauties
Joseph Cassara
Gurril, this book! Follows the story of four unforgettable characters during the heyday of the Harlem drag ball scene in the 1980s.

My Brother’s Husband
Gengoroh Tagame
A graphic novel providing a unique view of Japanese culture.

The Lotterys Plus One
Emma Donoghue
The Lotterys are a non-traditional family of four parents, plus their adopted and biological children. Diversity is no big deal!

Fire Song
Adam Garnet Jones
Explores what it means to be young, different and queer on an Indigenous reserve in northern Ontario.

SEARCH THIS COMMUNITY TAG IN OUR CATALOGUE: RAINBOW PICKS

Find Award Winning LGBTQ book titles by searching Stonewall Award or Lambda Literary Award in our catalogue.

Queer, There and Everywhere: 23 People Who Changed the World
Sarah Prager
Profiles of LGBTQ people throughout history.

The Boy and the Bindi
Vivek Shraya

My Cat Yugoslavia
Pažtim Statovci

Marriage of a Thousand Lies
SJ Sindu

Murder Under the Fig Tree: A Palestine Mystery
Kate Jessica Raphael

David McCord is Coordinator of Collections at London Public Library.

For more Staff Picks visit: www.lpl.ca/staff-picks
We all know of people who quietly work at helping others without expecting recognition or awards. They just want to make their community a better place for everyone. Dana Kennedy is one of those people. She is a Child & Youth Worker at Atlohsa Native Family Healing Services, a nonprofit agency in London providing support, education and healing services for Indigenous families.

The programs Dana coordinates grew out of Atlohsa’s commitment to supporting parents in attending counseling and healing sessions by providing them with childcare. Looking for activities to engage and inspire children whose mothers were attending the women’s circle on Monday evenings, she immediately thought of the Children’s Library, a place to read, play and access computers with educational software. So, for seven years now, Dana has been walking groups of children from Atlohsa on Richmond Street to our Central Library and introducing them to the resources available there.

Those informal visits have evolved into more organized programming, with Frances Cutt, Literacy Facilitator at the Library, working with Dana for the past two years to include the children in the Library’s R.E.A.D. program that matches 130 children in London every year with volunteer reading partners. Dana says it’s been a real success, with twelve children from Atlohsa participating each year. The kids have a great time reading, enjoying creative activities and playing literacy games with their mentors, and the parents tell her that it has helped their children with reading and self-confidence.

Helping her community is what Dana does. “I’m always doing outreach, telling people what’s available,” she says, “A lot of people are too shy or unsure to ask or find out about services and programs. I make sure to tell them and that’s how it gets around, one person telling a friend and another friend. And if there are parents who want their child to be involved but can’t afford to get there, I don’t mind picking the child up.” Dana believes in encouraging families as they take steps to participate in programs for themselves or their children, ensuring that they have access to the essential supports like childcare and transportation provided by Atlohsa.

According to Frances, Dana is a real advocate for families, “Dana helps families with navigating systems, whether it’s at a child’s school or with an agency. She’s often the voice of the people she’s working with.” Frances says that Dana is a leader for families who have experienced marginalization and exclusion. She’s the familiar face they look for at an event or in a community space who helps them feel comfortable and that they belong.

Dana’s bigger goal is to bring more parents and children together for family programming that raises awareness of Indigenous cultural traditions and supports healing practices. Dana remembers her father speaking the Oneida language with her aunts and uncles and grandparents and feels discouraged at times that she and so many others didn’t learn it while growing up. “Atlohsa brings in speakers of the language to teach the children, even just to say their name and the clan they come from. They’re really pleased with that, learning that little bit.” She knows it will take time to bring back the language, but says, “Hopefully, one day there will be more fluent speakers again.”

Taking care of our spirits is what it’s all about.”
Her vision for the future is what Dana keeps in mind, even as she sees the work that lies ahead in reconnecting Indigenous peoples to their identity and culture. She finds great value in the resources offered by Atlohsa as well as spaces like the Oneida Language & Cultural Centre outside London where people can learn drumming, songs, stories and other traditions. “Taking care of our spirits is what it’s all about,” she says.

Dana continues to develop programming with Frances and other library staff, and Atlohsa has been our community partner for events held in Library space. Atlohsa is a participating partner at the Library’s annual Family Literacy Day celebration, introducing the non-Indigenous community to drumming, smudging, stories and other traditions. Last September, Orange Shirt Day, an Indigenous event commemorating residential school survivors, came to Central Library with a moving presentation by a residential school survivor, and singing and drumming by the Oneida Longhouse Singers. Atlohsa was also a community partner (with CBC, Reel Canada, and LondonFuse) in bringing a special film screening of Gord Downie’s The Secret Path to the Library, an evening that included a talk by Dennis Whiteye, Atlohsa’s Manager of Community Support and Outreach Services, sharing his family’s legacy with residential schools, and a men’s drumming group providing honour songs passed down through many generations.

Photo above: Dana Kennedy with her daughter, Alexis, at Orange Shirt Day: Every Child Matters, an event that commemorates the legacy of residential school survivors.
Programs are free unless a fee is listed.

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.

Summer Registration Dates

Many programs are drop in, with no registration needed!

For children’s programs requiring registration, register in person, online or call 519-661-4600:

► Starting Saturday, June 16 for July programs
► Starting Saturday, July 21 for August programs
► Register starting Saturday, June 23 for the TD Summer Reading Club and Get Caught Reading programs.

Upcoming Byron Branch Improvements

Byron Branch is next on our schedule of branch improvement work. Byron Branch will be temporarily closed this fall for HVAC replacement and a refresh of the interior (paint, etc.). Stay tuned for temporary closure dates.

Crouch Branch Open During Road Construction

Access to the Crouch Branch Library and parking lot will remain available during road construction on Hamilton Road and Sackville Street this summer and fall. Keep up to date on road construction at www.london.ca.

Westmount Pop Up

Excitement is building as construction on the new Community Centre, YMCA and Library facility at 501 Southdale Road West (at Bostwick) nears completion. Later this summer we’ll be able to confirm when the Westmount Pop Up Branch will close and move into its beautiful new home along with other details about the new facility: www.lpl.ca.

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.
Fostering a love of reading in kids is one of our favourite things at the Library! Our staff take pride in making the TD Summer Reading Club one more fun reason for families to spend time at the Library. Last year 5,268 children participated, making 23,871 visits to our 16 branches during the summer. Reading over the summer is a great way for kids to prevent the summer slide leading back to the school year in September. Join us at your neighbourhood library for reading and summer fun! Registration begins June 23.

This year’s TD Summer Reading Club encourages you to discover and explore your passions. Are you an avid camper? Do you love taking care of your pet? Maybe you’re working on your chef skills. We’ll be sharing photos of London kids and their passions on social media this summer.

Here are some kids who shared their passions with us! Karwan says he and technology are perfect together. Kelsey shoots! She scores with her hockey passion! Owls make the world go round for Madeline. For Alessandro, it’s the challenge of the Rubik’s cube.

We invite families to share their photos and videos with us too! Find us @londonlibrary on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook and at @teensatpl on Instagram.
Books for Babies! (from birth with a caregiver)
Learn and enjoy rhymes, stories and songs with your baby! 30 minute program followed by informal socializing for babies and caregivers.

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Please help us keep our storytimes and all programs fragrance free.
**Storytime! (all ages 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.

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No session Aug. 1                                                   |
| Central                | 10:30–11:15 am  | Mondays, Ongoing
No sessions July 2, Aug. 6                                           |
| Central                | 10:30–11:15 am  | Saturdays, Ongoing                                                   |
| Cherryhill             | 10:30–11:30 am  | Saturdays, June 2–July 14
No session June 23                                                   |
| Crouch                 | 10:30–11:15 am  | Fridays, June 1 – Aug 17
No sessions July 20, Aug. 3                                           |
| East London            | 10:30–11:15 am  | Thursdays, July 5–19                                                |
| Landon                 | 10:15–11 am     | Fridays, June 8, July 27–Aug. 31                                     |
| Masonville             | 9:30–10:30 am   | Thursdays, July 19–Aug. 9                                           |
| Pond Mills             | 10:30–11:30 am  | Thursdays, June 7 – Aug. 23
No session Aug. 2                                                    |
| Sherwood               | 10–11 am        | Saturdays, July 14–Aug. 11                                           |
| Stoney Creek           | 9:30–10:30 am   | Wednesdays, June 6–13, July 18–Aug. 15                               |
| Westmount (Westmount Community Room, Main Floor of Westmount Shopping Centre) | 9:30–10 am | Tuesdays, July 3–31 |
Early Literacy

DROP IN

Beginning with Baby
Birth to 12 months
Learn, play and grow together.
In partnership with Childreach.
• CHERRYHILL
  Tuesdays, 10–11:30 am
• BEACOCK
  Thursdays, 1:30–3 pm

Walking Story: Let's Make Faces!
3+ years
Join us for a fun Walking Story of the book
Let's Make Faces! Read the story pages,
play together with interactive loose parts
such as leaves, fruit, letters and tools,
then create your own story faces!
• LONDON
  Thursday, Jun. 28, 10–11:30 am
• JALNA
  Thursday, Jul. 5, 10–11 am
• BYRON
  Wednesday, Jul. 18, 2:30–4 pm
• STONEY CREEK
  Friday, Jul. 27, 10–11 am

Fire Safety with Sparky
the Fire Dog Robot
3–7 years with caregiver
The London Fire Department invites children
to a fire safety story with Sparky the Fire
Dog Robot. See what gear firefighters wear
and learn when to STOP, DROP and ROLL.
• POND MILLS
  Tuesday, Jul. 3, 10–10:30 am
• BEACOCK
  Tuesday, Jul. 3, 2:30–3 pm
• CROUCH
  Wednesday, Jul. 4, 10–10:30 am
• MASONVILLE
  Friday, Jul. 13, 10–10:45 am
• LAMBETH
  Thursday, Aug. 2, 6:30–7:30 pm
  Thursday, Aug. 9, 6:30–7:30 pm
  Thursday, Aug. 16, 6:30–7:30 pm
• SHERWOOD
  Wednesday, Aug. 15, 10-11 am

Karen the Storyteller
4–6 with caregiver
See magical storytelling show
with Karen and her puppets!
• JALNA
  Thursday, Jul. 19, 10–10:30 am
• CROUCH
  Thursday, Jul. 26, 2:30–3:30 pm
• BEACOCK
  Saturday, Aug. 4, 10–10:30 am

Imagémots/French Storytime
2–6 years with caregiver
Immerse yourself in an environment that
highlights French language and culture in
stories and songs. Venez vous immerger
dans un environnement où la langue française
et sa culture seront mises en valeur par
des histoires et des chansons animées en
français. In partnership with La Ribambelle,
EarlyON Child and Family Centres.
• CENTRAL
  Tuesdays, Jul. 3–24, 10–11 am

Bedtime Storytime
All ages with caregiver
Put on your pyjamas, bring your favourite
stuffed toy and join us for bedtime stories.
• BYRON
  Wednesday, Jul. 24, 6:30–7:30 pm
  Wednesday, Aug. 8, 6:30–7:30 pm

Mother Goose and Honker
2–5 years with caregiver
Meet Mother Goose, Honker, Mary Mary
and a host of other puppet friends! Have fun
hearing stories and learning nursery rhymes.
• MASONVILLE
  Friday, Jul. 13, 10–11 am

Arabic/English Storytime
A bilingual storytime that welcomes all
language speakers to hear stories, rhymes
and activities in English and Arabic. The
program will foster a love of reading at a
young age and support the development of
these skills in preparation for school. Children
should be accompanied by a caregiver.
• JALNA
  Friday, Jul. 13, 10:30–11:30 am

Paw Patrol Party!
Family
Celebrate Ryder and the Paw Patrol pups
with stories, songs and fun activities.
• CROUCH
  Thursday, Aug. 9, 10–11 am
• BEACOCK
  Saturday, Aug. 11, 10–11 am

Stuffies' Day Out
Does your stuffed animal friend need to get
out of the house? Bring it along for a party in
our garden. If it rains, we're inside.
• CENTRAL
  Thursday, Aug. 9, 2:30–3:30 pm

Back to School Storytime
Whether you're starting school for the very
first time or heading back to school this
fall, enjoy a storytime featuring books and
activities to get you excited about school!
• POND MILLS
  Thursday, Aug. 30, 10:30–11:30 am
• JALNA
  Friday, Aug. 31, 10–11 am
Early Literacy

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Tea Time & a Tale
3–10 years with caregiver.
A summertime Tea Party with delicious iced tea or lemonade, tasty treats, stories and crafts. Dress up in fancy clothes – children as well as adults!
• CHERRYHILL
Saturday, Jul. 7, 2:30–4 pm
Register starting June 16.

I'm Ready for Kindergarten!
Parents and children entering Kindergarten, join us for a session focused on getting ready for Kindergarten. We will sing, read stories and practice rhymes while developing language, social and gross motor skills. Parent information on school readiness provided. In partnership with Westmount Family Centre.
Register at:
www.EarlyONLondon.eventbrite.com
or 519-473-2825.
• BYRON
Thursdays, Jul. 12 & Aug. 9, 10–11:30 am

Music, Movement & Art

DROP IN

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

Discovery Mornings in The Studio
1–6 years with caregiver
The Studio is open every week for families with new hands-on, self-directed discovery and sensory fun centres. Drop in to play! Dress for a mess.
• LONDON
Fridays, Jun. 8–Aug. 31, 10 am–1 pm

Toddler Dance Party!
Shake your sillies out at our fun, interactive dance party!
• LONDON
Wednesday, Aug. 8, 10–11 am
• BEACOCK
Saturday, Aug. 25, 2:30–3:30 pm

Paul Droog in Concert!
Family
Paul is back with his fun-filled concert of original music for young children and their families.
• LONDON
Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2:30–3:30 pm
• LAMBETH
Saturday, Aug. 25, 2:30–3:15 pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Toddler Art
2–3 years.
Let's paint, glue, play and create!
Dress for a mess!
• CROUCH
Wednesdays, Jul. 11, 25, Aug. 8, 22, 9:30–10:30 am
Register starting June 16

Playgroups

Birth – 6 years with caregiver
Parents, caregivers and children participate in interactive early learning activities.
• CHERRYHILL
In partnership with Childreach.
Fridays, 9:30–11:30 am
• BEACOCK
Shared Beginnings in partnership with LUSO.
Tuesdays, 9:30–11:30 am
• CROUCH
In partnership with Crouch Neighbourhood Resource Centre.
Tuesdays & Wednesdays, Jun. 5–21, 9:30–11:30 am and 1:15–3 pm
Thursdays, June 5–21, 9:30–11 am
• BYRON
In partnership with EarlyON London West.
Wednesdays, 9:30–11:30 am
• LAMBETH
In partnership with Childreach.
Wednesdays, 9:30–11:30 am
• BEACOCK
In partnership with EarlyON, London North-Centre.
Thursdays, 9:30 am–3 pm
KIDS 1st DAY
All ages
Drop by any library location and learn how to create a transplanting pot from recycled newspaper and plant a seed to take home for your own garden or windowbox.

Part of Investing in Children’s Kids 1st Day throughout London
Friday, June 8, 2–4 pm
All locations

Book Launch: Nothing Happens in This Book
Celebrate London’s own bestselling author Judy Ann Sadler and her latest picture book, Nothing Happens in This Book. Or does it? Come and find out! Judy will read from her book, then enjoy crafty activities and participate in a parade!

• CENTRAL
Friday, Jun. 8, 2–3 pm

DROP IN
Canada Day Buttonmaking
Family
Your whole family is invited to come out and make a Canada Day button to wear on July 1.
  • CHERRYHILL
  Friday, Jun. 29, 2:30–3:30 pm
  • JALNA
  Friday, Jun. 29, 2:30–3:30 pm

Harry Potter Birthday Bash!
Family
Join us for a celebration of The Boy Who Lived!
  • JALNA
  Tuesday, Jul. 31, 2:30–3:30 pm
  • POND MILLS
  Tuesday, Jul. 31, 2:30–4 pm

We Love Reading: Summer Celebration
Family
Celebrate your summer of reading!
Make a craft, play a game and explore activities with your family and friends.
  • MASONVILLE
  Saturday, Aug. 11, 2–3:30 pm
  • CROUCH
  Thursday, Aug. 23, 2:30–3:30 pm

Eid Celebration
Family
  • JALNA
  Saturday, Aug. 18, 2–3 pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Fanshawe Pioneer Village: Canada Eh–Zed
6+ years
Explore Canada’s history and share your ideas of what makes Canada great. Create a heritage craft, explore artifacts, try out 19th century toys, and view images of our past.
  • SHERWOOD
  Tuesday, Jul. 17, 7–8 pm

DROP IN
Interactive Music and Magic
Family
Play along on a percussion instrument as Don Robertson sings and plays guitar. Be amazed by his hands-on puppetry and magic light show.
  • BYRON
  Tuesday, Jul. 3, 2:30–3:30 pm
  • CENTRAL
  Monday, Jul. 9, 2:30–3:30 pm
  • CHERRYHILL
  Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2:30–3:30 pm

Jingles the Clown
Family
Learn all about clowning around with hilarious songs, magic, puppets and stories. Come and use your imagination!
  • CHERRYHILL
  Thursday, Jul. 5, 2:30–3:30 pm
  • WESTMOUNT
  Wednesday, Jul. 11, 2:30–3:30 pm
  • EAST LONDON
  Thursday, Aug. 2, 10–11 am

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Create, Make, Build

DROP IN

**Pins and Needles**
Learn how to knit or crochet with a personal project or a project for charity. For the young and young at heart. No experience necessary.
- **SHERWOOD**
  Saturdays, 1–3 pm
  No sessions in Jul. and Aug.

**Invitation to Create**
Express yourself using a variety of art mediums. Parents/caregivers welcome to join their children to make art together.
- **MASONVILLE**
  Saturdays, Jun. 2–Aug. 25, 2–3:30 pm
- **JALNA**
  Wednesday, Jul. 11, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **BEACOCK**
  Friday, Aug. 10, 10–11 am

**Lego Creation Station**
We provide the LEGO bricks. You provide the imagination!
- **SHERWOOD**
  1st Saturday of month, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **CHERRYHILL**
  Last Saturday of month, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **CROUCH**
  Wednesdays, Jul. 18 & Aug. 15, 11 am–12 pm
- **JALNA**
  Tuesday, Jul. 24, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Young Gardeners**
Plant seeds to grow in a vegetable garden and learn how to save seeds. Planting material provided.
- **SHERWOOD**
  Friday, Jun. 29, 2:30–4 pm

**Art Studio**
Children 10 years and under require adult supervision.
What will you create? The studio is open for self-directed creation with materials and tools available for all. Dress for a mess!
- **CENTRAL**
  Thursdays, Jul. 5–Aug. 30, 10–11:30 am
  Mondays, Jul. 9–Aug. 27, 2:30–4 pm

**3D Maker Fair**
Join us to build with Squigz, Lego, Makedos, K’nex and more!
- **JALNA**
  Thursday, Jul. 5, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **WESTMOUNT**
  Thursday, Jul. 19, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Party Like It’s 1399!**
Travel back to the time of knights and fair maidens with medieval crafts and activities! Special Guests: Hood Archery. Feel free to come in costume.
- **CENTRAL**
  Thursday, Jul. 5, 2:30–4:30 pm

**Rock Your Garden!**
Paint river rocks to decorate your garden. No garden? Plant seeds to take home so you can make a garden!
- **JALNA**
  Thursday, Jul. 12, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Curiosity Club**
STEAM activities, crafts, games, books – you never know what will unfold.
- **CHERRYHILL**
  Tuesday, Jul. 17, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2:30–4 pm

**Sasquatch: Fact or Fiction**
Learn about the mystery of the Sasquatch through stories and games, then create your own.
- **CROUCH**
  Tuesday, Jul. 24, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Maker Fair**
Join us for Maker Fair fun – Snap Circuits, Makey Makey, Squigz, Osmo, Spirograph and more!
- **MASONVILLE**
  Wednesdays, Jul. 25 and Aug. 15, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **JALNA**
  Thursday, Aug. 16, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Collaborative Butterflies: Western Fair Challenge**
Create a unique butterfly representing YOUR tastes and talents. Butterflies will become part of collaborative pieces to be displayed at the Western Fair Community Showcase during the Fair, September 7–16.
- **BYRON, CHERRYHILL, CROUCH, EAST LONDON, LONDON**
  Aug. 7–18, Library hours
- **CENTRAL, JALNA, MASONVILLE, STONEY CREEK, WESTMOUNT**
  Aug. 7–11, Library hours
- **POND MILLS**
  Aug. 8–22, Library hours
- **LAMBETH, WESTMOUNT**
  Aug. 14–28, Library hours

**Bubble Bash!**
Celebrate summer with a bubble party in our garden, making art with them too!
- **BEACOCK**
  Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2:30–3:30 pm

**DROP IN CRAFTS**

**Crouch Chromatics**
Colouring Club
7+ years
- **CROUCH**
  1st & 3rd Tuesday of month, 3:30–5 pm

**Artful Adventures!**
5–12 years
- **CROUCH**
  Wednesdays, Jul. 11, 25, Aug. 8, 22, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Button Making**
Family
- **MASONVILLE**
  Wednesday, Jul. 11, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **CROUCH**
  Thursday, Aug. 16, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **CHERRYHILL**
  Saturday, Aug. 18, 2:30–3:30 pm
**Create, Make, Build**

**DROP IN CRAFTS**

**Picasso Portraits**
5–12 years
• CROUCH  
Wednesday, Jul. 18, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Bean Mosaic Art**
8+ years
• CHERRYHILL  
Wednesday, Jul. 25, 2–4 pm
• JALNA  
Friday, Jul. 27, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Chalk It Up!**
Family
• CROUCH  
Wednesday, Aug. 1, 11 am–12 pm
• EAST LONDON  
Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Human Spirograph**
Family
• CROUCH  
Thursday, Aug. 2, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Marble Run**
6+ years
• JALNA  
Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Create-a-Palooza!**
Family
• EAST LONDON  
Thursday, Aug. 9, 10–11 am

**Paper Collage Art**
8+ years
• CHERRYHILL  
Thursday, Aug. 9, 2–4 pm

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**Balloon Twisting for Beginners**
8+ years  
Learn the art of balloon twisting. Create flowers and animals.
• CHERRYHILL  
Tuesday, Jul. 3, 2:30–3:30 pm
• POND MILLS  
Tuesday, Jul. 10, 10–11 am

**Cartooning**
8–12 years  
Draw fun and fantastic characters following a simple process. Kids will gain new skills and finish with loads of characters and stories.
• WESTMOUNT  
Wednesday, Jul. 4, 2:30–3:30 pm
• SHERWOOD  
Wednesday, Jul. 18, 7–8 pm
• CHERRYHILL  
Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2:30–3:30 pm
• EAST LONDON  
Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CARSON  
Friday, Aug. 17, 2:30–3:30 pm

**String Art**
10+ years  
Create interesting artwork using string, wood and your imagination!
• JALNA  
Wednesday, Jul. 4, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CHERRYHILL  
Wednesday, Jul. 11, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Build A Terrarium**
8–12 years  
Build your own miniature garden! Create and decorate a little ecosystem while learning about plant care and the water cycle.
• POND MILLS  
Thursday, Jul. 5, 2:30–3:30 pm
• LANDON  
Friday, Jul. 13, 2:30–3:30 pm
• MASONVILLE  
Friday, Jul. 20, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CROUCH  
Friday, Jul. 27, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Scientific Sundaes**
6–12 years  
Science at its best! Create your favourite dessert, add tantalizing toppings and enjoy!
• CROUCH  
Thursday, Jul. 5, 2:30–3:30 pm
• POND MILLS  
Saturdays, Jul. 21 & Aug. 18, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Butterfly Finger Knitting**
8+ years  
Learn to knit a butterfly using just your fingers.
• CENTRAL  
Friday, Jul. 6, 2:30–3:30 pm
• STONEY CREEK  
Friday, Jul. 20, 2:30–3:30 pm
• MASONVILLE  
Friday, Jul. 27, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CHERRYHILL  
Friday, Aug. 10, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Monoprinting with Gel Printing Plates**
7+ years  
Explore techniques to create one-of-a-kind printed paintings.
• STONEY CREEK  
Friday, Jul. 6, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CENTRAL  
Friday, Jul. 27, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CHERRYHILL  
Friday, Aug. 17, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Unicorn Celebration**
8+ years  
Obsessed with unicorns? Create unicorn crafts.
• JALNA  
Friday, Jul. 6, 2:30–3:30 pm
• MASONVILLE  
Friday, Jul. 13, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CROUCH  
Friday, Aug. 3, 2:30–3:30 pm
• BEACOCK  
Friday, Aug. 24, 2:30–3:30 pm

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**Create, Make, Build**

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**Where the Magical Creatures Live**
5–10 years
Learn gnome folklore and create a house for gnomes or other magical beings using clay, sticks, pinecones and nature bits. Dress for a mess!
- **MASONVILLE**
  - Friday, Jul. 6, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **JALNA**
  - Friday, Jul. 13, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **POND MILLS**
  - Friday, Jul. 20, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **STONEY CREEK**
  - Friday, Jul. 27, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **BYRON**
  - Friday, Aug. 17, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Decorate with Icing**
8–12 years
Learn different piping techniques for decorating your cakes and cupcakes!
- **CROUCH**
  - Thursday, Jul. 12, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Magic Tricks & Creativity**
8+ years
Learn the mysterious secrets of magicians and perform magic tricks with simple items found at home. Ideal for children and parents to work on together. Bring a deck of playing cards, a silky scarf 18 inches or longer, and a quarter or dollar coin.
- **SHERWOOD**
  - Thursday, Jul. 12, 7–8 pm

**Soda Straw Weaving**
8+ years
Using drinking straws as your loom, weave colourful bracelets and headbands!
- **CHERRYHILL**
  - Saturday, Jul. 14, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **LANDON**
  - Friday, Jul. 20, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **STONEY CREEK**
  - Friday, Aug. 10, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **CENTRAL**
  - Friday, Aug. 17, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Metal Stamp Art**
8–12 years
Make jewellery with metal stamping tools.
- **CENTRAL**
  - Thursday, Jul. 19, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Peter Mennie: A Magic Workshop**
9–12 years
Learn easy-to-do magic tricks to entertain your friends and family, and maybe begin a great hobby as a magician! Bring one complete deck of cards.
- **LAMBETH**
  - Thursday, Jul. 26, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Animal Mosaic Suncatcher**
7+ years
Create a suncatcher using old CDs and animal shapes.
- **POND MILLS**
  - Friday, Jul. 27, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **JALNA**
  - Friday, Aug. 3, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **CENTRAL**
  - Friday, Aug. 10, 2:30–3:30 pm
- **CROUCH**
  - Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Let’s Explore Drawing**
6–12 years
Do you like to draw? Create your own comic or graphic novel, add a three-dimensional object to your drawing, and more.
- **BYRON**
  - Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Weave Your Own Dreamcatcher**
7+ years
Using our supplies and your imagination, create a dreamcatcher to ensure sweet dreams.
- **JALNA**
  - Friday, Aug. 10, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Create with Perler Beads!**
6+ years
Create something unique with these tiny, colourful beads. Follow a pattern or make your own design.
- **STONEY CREEK**
  - Thursday, Aug. 16, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Cardboard Circle Weaving**
8+ years
Weave a beautiful mandala using cardboard and yarn.
- **JALNA**
  - Friday, Aug. 17, 2:30–3:30 pm
Games

DROP IN

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.

• MASONVILLE
  Fridays, 4–5:30 pm until Jun. 22

Chess Club
5–9 years
Learn chess and play against other kids. If instructor is unable to attend, boards and pieces are available. Children 7 and under must have caregiver present in the Children’s Library at all times.

• CENTRAL
  Saturdays, 11 am–12:30 pm

Scavenger Quests!
5–12 years
Search our branch like a skilled P.I. to complete our quest and win a prize!

• CROUCH
  Thursdays, Jul. 5, 19, Aug. 2, 16, 9 am–1 pm

Arcade Armageddon!
7+ years
Play Minecraft, Mario Kart, and Just Dance!

• CROUCH
  Fridays, Jul. 6, Aug. 20, Aug. 17, 2–5 pm

Games Galore!
Family
Play fun games with friends and family! Bring your favourite game or play one of ours.

• BYRON
  Tuesdays, Jul. 10 & 24, 10 am–4 pm

• CROUCH
  Fridays, Jul. 13 & Aug. 24, 2:30–4:30 pm

• JALNA
  Friday, Jul. 20, 2:30–3:30 pm

Chess Club at Landon
8–12 years
Learn game strategies and play chess. Boards and pieces are supplied.

Instructor: Steve Demmery, Master, London Chess Club.

• LONDON
  Thursdays, Jul. 12 & Aug. 9, 4–5:30 pm

Pond Mills in the Park
8–12 years
We’re taking the library outside! Join us at Naiomi-Almeida Park for some outdoor fun!

Jul. 14: Water Fun!
Jul. 21: Paper Airplane Olympics
Jul. 28: Obstacle Course
Aug. 4: Old-School Skills Day

• NAIOMI-ALMEIDA PARK
  Saturdays, Jul. 14–Aug. 4, 10:30 am–12 pm

Minute to Win It!
Family
Challenge your friends and family while competing in various Minute to Win It games.

• CHERRYHILL
  Thursday, Jul. 19, 2:30–3:30 pm

• JALNA
  Thursday, Aug. 9, 2:30–3:30 pm

Let’s Explore Movement: Obstacle Course Challenge
4–9 years
Watch out for that tricky ring of fire! Don’t step on that or you’ll get zapped!

Are you up for the challenge?

• BYRON
  Wednesday, Jul. 25, 2:30–3:30 pm

Angry Bird Challenge
7+ years
Put your slingshot skills to the test. Try to topple more pigs than your friends.

• CROUCH
  Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2:30–3:30 pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Flight School with The Hood Archery
8+ years
Learn the basics of archery using bows and safe, foam-tipped arrows. Practice skills while playing target-based games.

• BEACOCK
  Tuesday, Jul. 10, 2:30–4:30 pm

• POND MILLS
  Thursday, Jul. 12, 2:30–4:30 pm

• JALNA
  Thursday, Aug. 2, 2:30–4:30 pm

• LAMBETH
  Saturday, Aug. 4, 2:30–4:30 pm

• CROUCH
  Thursday, Aug. 9, 2:30–3:30 pm

Intro to Improv
9–12 years
Learn the basics of improvisational theatre from Shut the Front Door Improv through interactive games and activities. A fun, dynamic program to build confidence, get creative and help you think on your feet. No experience necessary.

• CHERRYHILL
  Thursday, Jul. 12, 6:30–8:30 pm

• WESTMOUNT
  Saturday, Jul. 21, 2:30–4:30 pm

• STONEY CREEK
  Tuesday, Jul. 24, 6:30–8:30 pm

• LONDON
  Wednesday, Aug. 1, 6:30–8:30 pm

• POND MILLS
  Thursday, Aug. 9, 6:30–8:30 pm

Escape Room Adventure
7–10 years
Can you and your teammates escape? Will you figure out the clues? Join us for some fun!

• BYRON
  Saturday, Aug. 11, 2:30–4 pm

Register starting June 16 for July programs requiring registration.

Register starting July 21 for August programs requiring registration.
**Life Skills**

**DROP IN**

**Why Are You Walking On Your Food?**

8+ years

Families will learn how to identify edible weeds and prepare them for eating in salads, soups, teas, or made into flour.

- SHERWOOD
  Saturday, Jul. 21, 2:30–4 pm

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**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.

- CENTRAL
  Saturday, Jun. 2, 9:30 am–2 pm

- JALNA
  Saturday, Jun. 16, 9:30–2 pm

- BEACOCK
  Saturday, Jul. 7, 9:30 am–2 pm

- POND MILLS
  Saturday, Jul. 21, 9:30 am–2 pm

- SHERWOOD
  Saturday, Aug. 4, 9:30 am–2 pm

- LONDON
  Saturday, Aug. 11, 9:30 am–2 pm

- MASONVILLE
  Saturday, Aug. 18, 9:30 am–2 pm

**Gentle Yoga for the Family**

Practice yoga together, learning a basic routine in a fun, friendly atmosphere with teacher Valerie Hobson. Bring your own yoga mat. Some yoga mats are available for those who do not have one.

- BEACOCK
  Wednesday, Jul. 4, 10–11 am

- WESTMOUNT
  Thursday, Jul. 5, 2:30–3:30 pm

- MASONVILLE
  Wednesday, Jul. 11, 10–10:45 am

- JALNA
  Wednesday, Jul. 18, 10–11 am

- LONDON
  Wednesday, Jul. 25, 10–11 am

- BYRON
  Thursday, Jul. 26, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Newcomer Kids’ Club**

7–12 years

A weekly program for newcomer children to improve English through games and activities, make friends, and get ready for school. For more information and to register, contact Bingyan at bhuang@lcclc.org or 519-697-9756.

- BEACOCK
  Thursday, Jul. 12–Aug. 9, 9:30–10:30 am
  Register starting Jun. 23.

**Betting Sense:**

**Financial Literacy for Children**

8–10 years

Children will learn about financial decision making by exploring how to budget and manage money, and by learning about the risks of gambling.

- SHERWOOD
  Friday, Jul. 13, 2:30–3:45 pm

**Movies**

**DROP IN**

**Summer Movie Fun**

Family

Stay cool and drop in for some movie fun! Call the branch one week ahead for movie title.

- JALNA
  Saturdays, Jun. 30–Sep. 1, 2:30 pm

- CROUCH
  Tuesdays, Jul. 3, 17, 31, Aug. 14, 2:30–4 pm

- CHERRYHILL
  Tuesdays, Jul. 3–Aug. 28, 5–7 pm

- WESTMOUNT
  Saturdays, Jul. 7 & 28, 2:30–4:30 pm

- SHERWOOD
  Tuesdays, Jul. 10–Aug. 14, 3:30–5:30 pm

- LONDON
  Wednesday, Jul. 11, 2:30–4:30 pm

- STONEY CREEK
  Friday, Jul. 13, 2:30–4 pm
  Friday, Aug. 14, 2:30–4 pm

- BYRON
  Thursdays, Jul. 19, Aug. 2, 16, 2:30–4 pm

- MASONVILLE
  Friday, Aug. 24, 2–3:45 pm

**Let’s Explore Music**

Family

Join us to sing our way through your favourite movies. Call the branch one week ahead for movie title.

- BYRON
  Thursdays, Jul. 5 & Aug. 23, 2:30–4 pm

**Outdoor Movie Night & BBQ**

Family

Join the Stoney Creek Neighbourhood Committee for a BBQ and outdoor movie at the Stoney Creek YMCA. BBQ begins at 5 and the movie will play at dusk.

- STONEY CREEK
  Saturday, Jul. 14, 5 pm
Music Making

**DROP IN**

**Kids Karaoke with Rachel**
Family
Join us for a fun, singalong afternoon of family friendly music with Pond Mills’ own Rachel Weisdorf. Choose to sing solo, with friends, or with your family!
• **POND MILLS**
  Thursdays, Jul. 19 & Aug. 2, 2:30–3:30 pm

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**Drum Circle**
8–12 years
Explore rhythms from around the world and have fun creating a unique drum song. Try djembes, tumbanos and bongos as well as percussion toys like claves, maracas, thunder tubes, and kalimbas. Instruments provided.
• **WESTMOUNT**
  Wednesday, Jul. 18, 2:30–3:30 pm
• **SHERWOOD**
  Thursday, Jul. 19, 7–8 pm
• **CHERRYHILL**
  Saturday, Jul. 21, 2:30–3:30 pm
• **CROUCH**
  Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2:30–3:30 pm
• **CENTRAL**
  Thursday, Aug. 2, 2:30–3:30 pm
• **MASONVILLE**
  Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2:30–3:30 pm
• **LONDON**
  Thursday, Aug. 23, 2:30–3:30 pm

Readers & Writers

**DROP IN**

**Harry Potter Book Club**
10+ years
Everything Harry Potter: book discussions, activities and games.
• **POND MILLS**
  4th Tuesday of month, 7–8 pm
  No sessions Jul. and Aug.

**School Age Storytime**
5–7 years
Come share stories and more!
• **POND MILLS**
  Wednesdays, Jul. 4, 18, Aug. 8, 22, 10:30–11:30 am
• **STONEY CREEK**
  Thursday, Jul. 5, 2:30–3:30 pm
  Friday, Aug. 3, 10–11 am
• **WESTMOUNT**
  Fridays, Jul. 6–27, 2:30–3:30 pm
• **MASONVILLE**
  Friday, Aug. 3, 2:30–3:30 pm
• **JALNA**
  Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2:30–3:30 pm
• **CHERRYHILL**
  Thursday, Aug. 16, 10:30–11:30 am
• **LANDON**
  Friday, Aug. 24, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Poetry Tent**
Family
Perform a poem in our poetry tent.
• **BYRON**
  Thursday, Jul. 19, 2:30–4 pm

**Drag Queen Storytime**
All ages with caregiver
Celebrate Pride! Talk, read and sing with London’s Drag Queens. Wear your favourite dress or costume.
• **CENTRAL**
  Saturday, Jul. 21, 2:30–3:15 pm

**Author Visit: Christopher Paul Curtis**
A rare opportunity for older children and adults to meet an internationally renowned children’s author! Christopher Paul Curtis will talk with children about how he started writing and then read from his latest novel, *The Journey of Little Charlie*. He is a children’s author of modern classics, including *The Watsons Go to Birmingham – 1963*, and *Bud, Not Buddy*. Book sale (cash only) and signing to follow.
• **CENTRAL**
  Friday, Aug. 17, 1–2 pm

**TD Summer Reading Club 2018**
June 23 – August 25, daily, library hours
What fires your spirit and excites your mind? Discover and explore your passions by joining the TD Summer Reading Club. Register starting June 23 at your local library.

**NEW!**
Register starting June 16 for July programs requiring registration.
Register starting July 21 for August programs requiring registration.
**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**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  
  No session Aug. 25.

**TD Summer Reading Club 2018 Registration Celebration**  
Family  
Join us for fun summer activities and games! Sign up for the TD Summer Reading Club at this celebration or at any London Public Library location starting June 23.  
- **BYRON**  
  Saturday, Jun. 23, 9 am–5 pm  
- **JALNA**  
  Saturday, Jun. 23, 9 am–5 pm  
- **LANDON**  
  Saturday, Jun. 23, 9 am–4 pm  
- **MASONVILLE**  
  Saturday, Jun. 23, 9 am–4 pm  
- **SHERWOOD**  
  Saturday, Jun. 23, 9 am–4 pm  
- **CARSON**  
  Saturday, Jun. 23, 1–4 pm

**Let’s Explore Writing: Hidden Poems**  
9–12 years  
Use imagination and creative designs to reveal hidden poetry or inspiration on a printed page.  
- **BYRON**  
  Tuesday, Jul. 17, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Community Dog Tales**  
7–12 years  
A great way for reluctant readers to practice reading skills and build confidence. Meet a St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog team, ask questions, listen to a story, play games and other activities. Interested children may also spend one-on-one time and read to a dog. All Therapy Dogs have been assessed to read with children.  
- **BYRON**  
  Tuesday, Jul. 31, 2:30–4 pm

**DROP IN**

**Let’s Explore Coding**  
Family  
Come as a family to explore several coding systems including Osmo (includes Coding Jam and Coding with Awbie), Robot Turtles, Code & Go Robot Mouse, Let’s Go Code!, Snapino, and Code-a-Pillar – to name a few!  
- **BYRON**  
  Thursday, Jul. 12, 2:30–3:30 pm  
- **CHERRYHILL**  
  Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2:30–3:30 pm  
- **JALNA**  
  Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Walloping Weather with Mad Science**  
6–12 years  
Jr. Meteorologists discover how hurricanes, tornadoes and thunderstorms develop, and how powerful they can be! They will be able to consult their personal UV detectors to check whether it’s time to cover up.  
- **JALNA**  
  Tuesday, Jul. 3, 2–3 pm  
- **LANDON**  
  Thursday, Jul. 5, 10–11 am  
- **SHERWOOD**  
  Thursday, Aug. 9, 2–3 pm

**Fanshawe Pioneer Village: 19th Century Optical Illusions & Pastimes**  
8+ years  
Learn how the moving image developed and some of the popular pastimes of the 19th century. Discover how we learned tricks to make images move, play with toys from the past, and create your own 19th century optical toy to take home.  
- **STONEY CREEK**  
  Wednesday, Jul. 4, 10–11 am  
- **CHERRYHILL**  
  Wednesday, Jul. 18, 2:30–3:30 pm

**Tantalizing Taste with Mad Science**  
6–12 years  
Jr. Scientists give their nose and tongue a workout as they examine their sense of taste and smell. Find out whether you are a mutant super taster or just an ordinary human!  
- **CROUCH**  
  Wednesday, Jul. 4, 2:30–3:30 pm  
- **BYRON**  
  Wednesday, Jul. 11, 2:30–3:30 pm  
- **MASONVILLE**  
  Thursday, Aug. 2, 2:30–3:30 pm  
- **JALNA**  
  Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2:30–3:30 pm
REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Ozobots
8–12 years
Meet Ozobot, a tiny robot, and learn about computer science and coding.
• EAST LONDON
  Friday, Jul. 6, 2:30–3:30 pm
• BEACOCK
  Friday, Jul. 13, 2:30–3:30 pm
• POND MILLS
  Wednesday, Jul. 18, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CENTRAL
  Friday, Jul. 20, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CROUCH
  Friday, Aug. 10, 2:30–3:30 pm

Think STEM: Robotics Workshop & Demonstration
6–14 years
Learn the basics of robotics using Lego Mindstorms EV3 kits, Vex, unplugged activities, and see an exciting robot demonstration. Presented by ThinkSTEM Education.
• STONEY CREEK
  Saturday, Jul. 7, 10–11 am
• CROUCH
  Saturday, Jul. 7, 2:30–3:30 pm
• WESTMOUNT
  Saturday, Jul. 14, 2:30–3:30 pm
• EAST LONDON
  Saturday, Jul. 21, 10–11 am
• MASONVILLE
  Saturday, Jul. 28, 10–11 am
• LONDON
  Saturday, Aug. 4, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CHERRYHILL
  Saturday, Aug. 11, 10–11 am
• SHERWOOD
  Saturday, Aug. 18, 2:30–3:30 pm

Salthaven: Growth and Changes in Animals
7+ years
Find out why it’s so important to protect animals and how to make their habitats safe for them to live in.
• JALNA
  Tuesday, Jul. 10, 10–11:30 am

Under the Sea with Mad Science
6–12 years
Jr. Biologists check out some creepy creatures from under the sea. Explore buoyancy and take home an Anaglyph Sea Puzzle.
• EAST LONDON
  Tuesday, Jul. 10, 2–3 pm
• BEACOCK
  Saturday, Jul. 14, 2:30–3:30 pm
• STONEY CREEK
  Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2–3 pm
• LONDON
  Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2:30–3:30 pm

Excellent Energy with Mad Science
6–12 years
Jr. Investigators explore the difference between potential and kinetic energy. Build a Mad Science Catapult to take home.
• WESTMOUNT
  Thursday, Jul. 12, 2–3 pm
• SHERWOOD
  Saturday, Aug. 11, 2:30–3:30 pm

Egg Drop Challenge
8+ years
Can you use science to make sure your egg survives a BIG fall? Show off your STEAM skills and see if you have what it takes to win this challenge!
• CENTRAL
  Friday, Jul. 13, 2:30–3:30 pm
• BYRON
  Friday, Jul. 20, 2:30–3:30 pm
• BEACOCK
  Friday, Aug. 17, 10–11 am
• JALNA
  Friday, Aug. 24, 2:30 pm

Whodunnit! A Mystery Activity
8–12 years
The library needs your help solving a crime! Using forensics, we can crack this case!
• CENTRAL
  Monday, Jul. 16, 2:30–4 pm
• POND MILLS
  Thursday, Aug. 16, 2:30–3:30 pm
• BYRON
  Wednesday, Aug. 22, 2:30–3:30 pm

Bob O’Donnell: The Wonderful World of Fossils
8+ years
Bob O’Donnell, the Fossil Guy, explains how fossils were formed and shows his collection of fossils which includes dino eggs, a fossilized fish, a shark's tooth, a fossilized reptile and a 6.9 kilogram piece of fossilized dinosaur poo!
• EAST LONDON
  Tuesday, Jul. 17, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CROUCH
  Thursday, Jul. 19, 2:30–3:30 pm
• JALNA
  Wednesday, Aug. 1, 2:30–3:30 pm
• POND MILLS
  Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2:30–3:30 pm

Watt’s Up with Mad Science
6–12 years
Jr. Electricians learn about electricity and its role in natural phenomena. The Mad Scientist will make indoor lightning while conducting hair-raising experiments with our electro-static generator!
• STONEY CREEK
  Thursday, Jul. 19, 2–3 pm
• CHERRYHILL
  Thursday, Aug. 16, 2–3 pm

Lights, Colour, Action! with Mad Science
6–12 years
Jr. Physicists study reflection and refraction while uncovering the hidden components in ordinary light. You’ll get a set of Rainbow Glasses to keep.
• WESTMOUNT
  Wednesday, Jul. 25, 2–3 pm
• CENTRAL
  Monday, Aug. 13, 2:30–3:30 pm

Spectacular Science Show with Mad Science
4–12 years
Join us for a spectacular and educational science show hosted by Mad Science!
• Boyle Memorial Community Centre,
  530 Charlotte Street
  Thursday, Aug. 2, 2–3 pm

Let’s Explore Gardening
8–12 years
Have you heard of Garden in a Glove? Learn about germination through the fun process of planting seeds in a glove and watching them grow. Let’s explore together!
• BYRON
  Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2:30–3:30 pm

NEW!
Register starting June 16 for July programs requiring registration.
Register starting July 21 for August programs requiring registration.
Tween & Teen Programs

DROP IN

Rubik’s Cube Unplugged Club
9–15 years
Discover your inner Rubik’s cube skills. Local teens will help you get started and share some secrets that you can try hands-on! Bring your own cube if you have one.
• MASONVILLE
Saturdays, 2–3 pm until Jun. 23

T1 Empowerment
A safe place for teen girls aged 12–18 with type 1 diabetes. Create lasting friendships with peers while discussing issues and successes about life with type 1 diabetes. Focus is on positivity and mentorship.
• MASONVILLE
Thursdays, 6:30–7:30 pm, until Jun. 21

Hair & Makeup 101
13–17 years
Learn new hair and makeup techniques from an experienced stylist and makeup artist. Supplies provided but bring your own makeup and styling tools if you wish.
• CENTRAL
Saturday, Jun. 9, 2:30–4 pm

Make, Create & Explore in the Studio
11+ years
Every Saturday, the Studio will be open for self-directed creation with materials and tools available for all. Children 11 and under require adult supervision. Check out the Idea Board each visit to get your creative juices flowing. Dress for a mess!
Jun. 9 & 16: Fabric & Sewing
Jul. 7 & 14: Garden Mosaic & Chimes
Jul. 21: Family Coding
Aug. 4: Slime
Aug. 11: Maker Fair
Aug. 18: Clay Beads & Jewellery
Aug. 25: Butterflies
• LONDON
Saturdays, 2:30–4 pm

London Gay-mer Meetup Games Night
Join us for a fun evening of games provided by London Public Library, Uber Cool Stuff, and Forest City Comicon.
• CENTRAL
Tuesday, Jul. 24, 4–8 pm

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Introduction to Dungeons & Dragons
12–18 years
Have you ever wanted to be the hero of a quest? Come to the library for an introduction to the classic role playing fantasy game Dungeons & Dragons.
• LONDON
Saturday, Jul. 28, 2:30–4:30 pm

Painting Miniature Figures
10+ years
Learn about the different techniques and materials required for painting miniature figures. Each participant will get a monster miniature to paint and keep.
• LONDON
Friday, Jul. 6, 2:30–3:30 pm
• POND MILLS
Friday, Jul. 13, 2:30–3:30 pm
• CHERRYHILL
Friday, Jul. 20, 2:30–3:30 pm
• BYRON
Friday, Jul. 27, 2:30–3:30 pm

Felt Kawaii Key Chains
11–15 years
Kawaii is Japanese for cuteness. Learn to make these adorable key chains.
• CENTRAL
Tuesday, Jul. 17, 2:30–3:30 pm

Intro to Improv
13+ years
Learn the basics of improvisational theatre from Shut the Front Door Improv through interactive games and activities. A fun, dynamic program to build confidence, get creative and help you think on your feet. No experience necessary.
• BEACOCK
Thursday, Jul. 19, 6:30–8:30 pm

Sharpie Tie Dye T-shirts
10+ years
Have fun making your own beautiful t-shirt! Bring a clean white cotton t-shirt.
• BEACOCK
Friday, Jul. 20, 2:30–3:30 pm
• LANDON
Friday, Jul. 27, 2:30–3:30 pm
• BYRON
Friday, Aug. 10, 2:30–3:30 pm
• MASONVILLE
Friday, Aug. 17, 2:30–3:30 pm

Tween: Book Page Art
10+ years
Express your passion for art and words by using markers, paint and your imagination to create beautiful art out of old books.
• WESTMOUNT
Thursday, Jul. 26, 2:30–3:30 pm
BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Most book discussion groups return to a monthly schedule in the fall.

• SHERWOOD
  Tuesday, Jun. 12, 2:15–3:15 pm
  Brother by David Chariandy

• BEACOCK
  Wednesday, June 6, 7–8:30 pm
  Call branch for title.

• EAST LONDON
  Wednesday, Jun. 6, 7–8 pm
  The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein

• JALNA
  3rd Wednesday of month, 7–8 pm
  Jun. 20: The Whole Town is Talking by Fannie Flagg
  Jul. 18: Call branch for title.

• STONEY CREEK
  Wednesday, Jun. 20, 7:30–8:30 pm
  The Wonder by Emma Donoghue

• CHERRYHILL
  Last Wednesday of month, 2–3:30 pm
  Jun. 27: Run by Kim Thúy
  Jul. 25: Circle by Dave Eggers
  Aug. 29: Call branch for title.

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

• CARSON
  Thursday Jun. 14, 7–8 pm
  Fifteen Dogs by Andre Alexis

• CHERRYHILL
  2nd Thursday of month, 7–8:30 pm
  Jun. 14: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman
  Jul. 12 & Aug. 9: Call branch for title.

• MASONVILLE
  Thursday Jun. 14, 10–11 am
  The Colony of Unrequited Dreams by Wayne Johnston

• BYRON
  Thursday Jun. 28, 7–8 pm
  That Old Cape Magic by Richard Russo

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

London Environmental Book Club
Join us for good books about the environment and participate in lively discussion.

• CENTRAL
  3rd Wednesday of month, 7–8:30 pm

Mystery Book Club
Join us to discuss great mystery novels.

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

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

Read Aloud Book Club
This program takes place at the London InterCommunity Health Centre at 659 Dundas Street. Read or listen to a good book in a safe space, no matter your skill level. All welcome.

• London InterCommunity Health Centre
  Wednesdays, 11 am–12 pm

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

• CENTRAL
  1st Saturday of month, 1:30–4:30 pm
  Jun. 2: Film
  Jul. 7: Joseph Campbell and Science Fiction
  Aug. 4: Dolly by Elizabeth Bear (short story and film)

The Gay Guys’ Book Club
Join us to discuss a diverse range of books.

• CENTRAL
  Monday, Jul. 9, 7–8:30 pm

Caps and Capers: Book Launch
Join us for the launch of Caps and Capers a memoir by London author and retired nurse, Mary Lou McRae. Set in the mid-sixties this memoir contains stories that are heart-warming, tragic and sometimes horrifying.

• CENTRAL
  Saturday, Jun. 16, 2:30–4 pm

Grit Uplifted Creative Writing Group
An open forum and support for people who are homeless, at risk of being homeless or have experienced homelessness. Learn creative expression and skill development. In partnership with London InterCommunity Health Centre.

• CENTRAL
  Saturdays, Jun. 2–Aug. 18, 2–4 pm

Speaking with Friends: An Evening with Valerie Mills-Milde

• CENTRAL
  Monday, Jun. 11, 7–9 pm

Beautiful Blogging Workshop
Blogging is a wonderful way to write and socially connect. By end of the workshop you will have a user name, blog title, blog template, and will have learned how to write your first blog story according to your audience.

• BYRON
  Wednesday, Jun. 27, 10 am–1 pm
  Registration begins Jun. 1.
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 only.
• STONEY CREEK
Library hours

Songwriters Workshop
For songwriters at any level, and anyone interested in the art and craft of 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.
• LANDON
Tuesday, Jun. 5, 7–8:45 pm

Jazz for the People
A free concert series featuring local and regional jazz musicians. Sponsored by Friends of the London Public Library.
• CENTRAL
Wednesdays, Jun. 20, Jul. 24, Aug. 22, 7:15–8:45 pm

New Horizons Band – Swing Shift
An evening of music of the Swing era as well as other Jazz standards.
• CENTRAL
Monday, Jun. 25, 7:30–9 pm

FILM
Thursday Movies
Watch recent award winning favourite films on the big screen. For movie titles and content ratings call 519-661-4600.
• CHERRYHILL
Thursdays, Jun. 14, Jun. 21, 28, 1:30–3:30

Silver Screen Saturdays
All ages
Watch recent, award winning, favourite family films on the big screen. For movie titles and content ratings call 519-661-4600.
• EAST LONDON
Saturdays, Jul. 7–28, 2:30–4 pm

Spirit of Glen Cairn: Film Screening
Please join us for a free screening of the documentary film, The Spirit of Glen Cairn, followed by community discussion.
• POND MILLS
Thursday, Jul. 12, 7–9 pm

Spring Plant Exchange
Calling all gardeners! Bring in your extra cuttings, bulbs and plants to exchange with other gardeners. Please label plants.
• POND MILLS
Saturday, Jun. 2, 10 am–12 pm

TREA London Bicycle Festival Film
TREA’s annual cycling film evening!
• CENTRAL
Tuesday, Jun. 5, 7–9 pm

Alternative Organic Weeding Methods
Every year gardeners plant seeds hoping for a bountiful crop only to face the power of the weed. Learn strategies to win the battle of the garden.
• LANDON
Wednesday, Jun. 13, 7–8:30 pm
• CENTRAL
Wednesday, Jun. 20, 7–9 pm
• CHERRYHILL
Wednesday, Jun. 23, 2–3:30 pm

Food Hidden in Your Backyard
Many common weeds are edible, such as dandelion green, plantain and docks. Prior to the cultivation of vegetables, these were the first known foods of hunter-gatherers. Rob McQueen will take you back into the past and teach you about these overlooked edibles.
• CENTRAL
Wednesday, Jul. 18, 7–9 pm
Medicine Wheel
All ages
Join Métis artist, Brenda Collins, as we create a Medicine Wheel mosaic together. Brenda will share Indigenous teachings and the significance of the colours and symbols of the Four Races of Mankind Medicine Wheel, also called a healing circle. Upon completion, this community mosaic will be installed in our space.
• CENTRAL
Friday, Jun. 8, 9:30 am–3 pm

Director’s Spotlight:
Alanis Obomsawin
Alanis Obomsawin is one of the world’s most acclaimed Indigenous directors and also one of the most prolific with over 50 films in her remarkable oeuvre. The Abenaki director has received numerous international honours. Join us for a screening of some of her short documentaries on the main floor of Central Library.
• CENTRAL
Saturday, Jun. 9, 10:30–11:30 am & 2:30–3:30 pm

Reconciliation Through Education:
The Kairos Blanket Exercise Workshop
Explore the historic and contemporary relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada. To register email necommunityconversations@gmail.com or call 519-453-3198.
• CENTRAL
Monday, Jun. 18, 1–4 pm

Indigenous Solidarity Day & Pow Wow
All ages
Join us on the Green in Wortley Village for Indigenous Solidarity Day! An event in celebration of and in solidarity with First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. Games and activities for all ages.
Thursday, Jun. 21, 11 am–4 pm

Neighbourhood Decision Making Initiative 2018
The City of London invites Londoners of all ages to vote to turn their favourite Neighbourhood Decision Making ideas into real projects that enhance and strengthen their neighbourhoods!
On Saturday, June 16, drop by to vote for your favourite neighbourhood project at all Public Library locations (excluding Glanworth) from 10 am–4 pm, or vote online at getinvolved.london.ca/NDM.

Socrates Cafe
An open forum in an informal environment for everyone who enjoys listening, thinking and talking about life’s big questions.
Jun. 25: Why Are We Here?
Jul. 30: The Future of Artificial Intelligence
Aug. 27: What is Death?
• CENTRAL
Last Monday of month, 7–8:30 pm

R-Ladies #LdnOnt:
Promoting Gender Diversity in the R User Community
Join us for a low-key get-together for ladies interested in using and learning more about R, a powerful statistical software program. Our meet-ups feature different topics and speakers, and time to practice hands-on. Bring your device and come with R and R Studio installed.
• CENTRAL
Tuesday, Jun. 26, 5–7 pm

June is National Indigenous History Month
Local History & Stories

Miss Confederation: The Diary of Mercy Anne Coles
Mercy Anne Coles, the daughter of Quebec and Charlottetown Conference delegate George Coles, kept a diary of the social happenings and political manoeuvring at the conferences. This diary now offers a rare woman's perspective on events that led to Canada's creation. Book sale and signing.
• CENTRAL
  Tuesday, Jun. 5, 7–8:30 pm

Small Town Ontario Brass Bands
Celebrate village bands of 19th century rural Ontario with Plumbing Factory Brass Band founder and director, Dr. Henry Meredith and Mike Baker, co-curators of Elgin County Museum's forthcoming exhibition, Baseball and Brass Bands. Several 19th century brass instruments will be on display.
• CENTRAL
  Tuesday, Jul. 17, 7–8:30 pm

This photo of the London Bicycle Club posed in front of the first bandstand in Victoria Park dates back to 1900. It is one of the Historic London Photos you can find on the Local History page of our website. It is part of the Ivey Family London Room Digital Collections. • www.lpl.ca/localhistory
Adults

Newcomers, Language & Literacy

NEWCOMERS, LANGUAGE & LITERACY

ESL Reading Groups
Practice your English by reading with library volunteers and sharing your ideas. We provide all the reading material!
• CENTRAL
  Saturdays, 10:30 am–12 pm until Jun. 23
• JALNA
  Saturdays, 10–11:30 am until Jun. 23
• MASONVILLE
  Saturdays, 10:30 am–12 pm until Jun. 23
• STONEY CREEK
  Saturdays, 11 am–12:30 pm

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

Spanish Conversation Circle
Improve your Spanish in this informal, supportive conversation circle.
• CHERRYHILL
  Wednesdays, 7–8:30 pm until Jun. 20

Tea & Talk: An Informal Conversation Group for Newcomers
Enjoy tea and treats while practicing your language skills in a safe, 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
  No sessions Jul. and Aug.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LIBRARY SETTLEMENT PARTNERSHIP

Discover Canada: Canadian Citizenship Preparation
Families and individuals can receive assistance to prepare for their Canadian Citizenship Test. Participants will learn about the various parts of the test including: Canadian history, government, rights and responsibilities, geography, economy, elections, etc. Some materials provided.
• JALNA
  Saturdays, 11 am–1 pm until Aug. 18

Newcomer Programs at Beacock Branch Library

Summer Programming Information for Newcomers
Tuesday, Jun. 19, 6–8 pm
Summer Safety Information for Newcomers
Thursday, Jun. 21, 4:30–6 pm
Computer Basics for Newcomers
Friday, Jun. 22, 1–3 pm
Internet Use & Safety for Newcomers
Friday, Jul. 6, 1–3 pm
Email & Spam for Newcomers
Friday, Jul. 13, 1–3 pm
Community Resource Fair for Newcomers
Wednesday, Jul. 18, 4–6 pm
Social Media for Newcomers
Friday, Jul. 20, 1–3 pm
Increase Typing Speed for Newcomers
Friday, Jul. 27, 1–3 pm
Back to School for Newcomers
Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2–4 pm
Improving English Skills with iPads
Wednesday, Aug. 29, 1–3 pm

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CROSS CULTURAL LEARNER CENTRE

English Conversational Circles for Newcomers to Canada
Celebrate diversity through friendship and cultural exchange. All newcomers are welcome. In partnership with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada. Register by calling the London Cross Cultural Learner Centre at 519-432-1133.
• BEACOCK
  Wednesdays, 6:30–8 pm until Jun. 20
• CENTRAL
  Mondays, 7–8:30 pm until Jun. 18
  Fridays, 10:30 am–12 pm until Jun. 22
  Thursdays, Jul. 5–Aug. 30, 6:30–8 pm
• CHERRYHILL
  Tuesdays, 6:30–8 pm
• EAST LONDON
  Tuesdays, 1–2:30 pm until Jun. 19
• JALNA
  Mondays, 7–8:30 pm until Jun. 20
  Fridays, 10:30 am–12 pm until Jun. 22
  Thursdays, Jul. 5–Aug. 30, 6:30–8 pm
• MASONVILLE
  Tuesdays, 6:30–8 pm until Jun. 19
• POND MILLS
  Saturdays, 2:30–4 pm until Jun. 23
• SHERWOOD
  Thursdays, 6:30–8 pm until Jun. 21

Meet & Learn Newcomer Sessions (Ages 18+)
Newcomers will learn about Canadian culture, education and the school system, social benefits, recreation programs, positive parenting and more. All welcome. For more information on weekly topics, contact Bingyan at bhuang@lcclc.org or 519-697-9756.
• CHERRYHILL
  Wednesdays, Jul. 11–25, 9:30–10:30 am
  Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2–3 pm

SWIS at Library Branches
Beginning in early July, additional settlement services are available at library locations through the Settlement Workers in Schools program. Ask Library staff for information on hours. SWIS services will be available at these branches: CENTRAL, CHERRYHILL, EAST LONDON, MASONVILLE, POND MILLS, SHERWOOD, STONEY CREEK
Newcomers, Language & Literacy

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SOUTH LONDON NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCE CENTRE

Adult Chit-Chat for Newcomers
An informal setting for adult newcomers to practice everyday English. For information, or to register, contact Newcomer Settlement Services at the South London Neighbourhood Resource Centre 519-686-8600 ext. 7580
• JALNA
  Tuesdays, 6–7:30 pm
• SHERWOOD
  Tuesdays, 1:30–3 pm

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THAMES VALLEY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

ESL for Everyday Living
Classes focus on learning and using the type of English necessary for everyday living in Canada. The emphasis will be on Canadian cultures, customs and communities. For people with CLB scores 1–4.
  • SHERWOOD
    Tuesdays, 6–8:30 pm until Jun. 14

ESL for Seniors
Classes focus on the language necessary for use in everyday living with an emphasis on Canadian customs and culture. There is lots of opportunity to talk with English speakers. Classes are especially designed for the older immigrant adult.
  • CHERRYHILL
    Tuesdays or Thursdays, 9:15–11:45 am until Jun. 21

IELTS / TOEFL Preparation
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. The course includes learning about expected essay formats and test-related tasks, practice in using academic level vocabulary, developing reading comprehension and listening/speaking skills, and strategies for tests.
  • SHERWOOD
    Wednesdays, 6–8:30 pm until Jul. 25

Listening & Speaking for ESL Learners
Improve your English without pressure or tests! Learn listening, speaking, pronunciation and grammar without memorizing rules. For intermediate to advanced ESL learners.
  • CENTRAL
    Wednesdays, 6:30–8:30 pm until Jun. 13

Citizenship Prep Course
Learn everything you need to know to be successful on the Canadian Citizenship Test and much more about our country! Topics covered: Canadian history, geography, government, the judicial system, your rights and responsibilities as a citizen. Class will not run without sufficient enrollment.
  • CHERRYHILL
    Wednesdays, Jul. 4–Aug. 29, 6–8:30 pm
  • MASONVILLE
    Thursdays, 6:30–8:30 pm until Jun. 14

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LONDON INTERCOMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

Women of the World
Connect and share experiences with other immigrant women. Learn about issues important to your health and the health of your family, and get information about services in the city. Child care is provided.
  • CENTRAL
    Thursdays, June 7 & 21, July 5 & 19, Aug. 2 & 16, 6–8 pm
  • BEACOCK
    Thursdays, June 14 & 28, July 12 & 26, Aug. 9 & 23, 5:30–7:30 pm
  • SHERWOOD
    Saturdays, June 2 & 16, July 7 & 21, Aug. 4 & 18, 10 am–12 pm

Library Settlement Partnership
Library Settlement Workers are available at two London Public Library locations. LSP 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 much more.

BEACOCK:
Tuesday–Thursday, 9 am–8 pm
Friday & Saturday, 9 am–5 pm

JALNA:
Tuesday–Friday, 9 am–6 pm
Saturday, 9 am–5 pm
100In1Day: Sew-a-thon
100In1Day is an annual global festival of citizen engagement. Join the library’s sew-a-thon to create a quilt to donate back to our community. Visit your local branch to brush up on your sewing skills and add a block or two to the project. In partnership with the Urban League of London.

- All Locations
  Saturday Jun. 2, 2–4 pm

Knitting Circles
Learn to knit, improve your skills and share your knowledge with others.

- CROUCH
  Tuesdays, 1:30–3:30 pm
- CENTRAL
  Wednesdays, Jun. 6, 13, 9:30–11:30 am
- BEACOCK
  Wednesdays, 1–4 pm
- BYRON
  Wednesdays, 6:45–8:45 pm
- EAST LONDON
  Thursdays, 12:30–2:30 pm
- LANDON
  Thursdays, 1–3 pm
- BYRON
  Thursdays, 2:30–4:30 pm
- CROUCH
  Thursdays, Jun. 7–28, 7–9 pm

Brushes & Needles at Cherryhill
Bring your painting or needlework projects for a morning get-together.

- CHERYHILL
  Wednesdays, 9:30–11:30 am

Byron Creative Crafts
Work on your own knitting, crocheting, paper craft or other projects.

- BYRON
  Thursdays, Jun. 7, 14, 21, 28, 9 am–12 pm

Come & Paint at Byron
Bring your own paint supplies for an informal afternoon of painting.

- BYRON
  Thursdays, Jun. 7, 14, 21, 28, 1–4 pm

Itch to Stitch Club
Bring your project of knitting, crocheting, looming or rug hooking. Get help from other stitchers or learn to stitch. A $2 weekly donation for supplies is appreciated. In partnership with Alice Saddy Association.

- SHERWOOD
  Thursdays, 1–3 pm

Pond Mills Crafts & Laughs
Enjoy a fun night of crafting while knocking off a few projects off your Pinterest list!

- POND MILLS
  Thursdays, Jun. 5, Jul. 5, Aug. 2, 7–8:30 pm

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, Create & Explore in the Studio
All ages
The Studio is open for self-directed creation with materials and tools available. Check out the Idea Board to get your creative juices flowing and come prepared to get messy! Check website for list of activities. Children 11 and under welcome with adult supervision.

- LANDON
  Saturdays, 2:30–4 pm
Community Hub

**Cards & Conversation**
Come for a game of Scrabble or euchre, do a puzzle, or knit with companions.
- **MASONVILLE**
  Tuesdays, 2–3:45 pm, until Jun. 26

**Family & Friends Game Night**
Drop in for a game with activities for children and adults alike. All welcome. In partnership with the Hamilton Road Community Association.
- **CROUCH**
  1st Tuesday of month, 6:30–8:30 pm

**Cards, Coffee & Conversation**
Games galore: euchre, Scrabble, cribbage and more.
- **CROUCH**
  Wednesdays, 3–6 pm

**Beacock Coffee & Games Fun**
Non-competitive cards and games fun held in a friendly social environment. No sessions Jul. and Aug.
- **BEACOCK**
  Fridays, 10–11:30 am

**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

**Cherryhill Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange**
All ages
Bring in good condition, complete puzzles for adults or children starting on May 12. You’ll receive a token for each puzzle you bring in, which can be exchanged for another puzzle on June 9.
- **CHERRYHILL**
  Saturday, Jun. 9, 2–3:30 pm

**Ranked Ballot Voting Demonstration**
Ranked Choice Voting – what is it and how will it change the way London votes? Join the City of London Elections staff for a hands-on, interactive demonstration of this voting method.
- **CENTRAL**
  Tuesday, Jun. 12, 7–8:30 pm
- **JALNA**
  Thursday, Jul. 12, 7–8:30 pm
- **BEACOCK**
  Tuesday, Jul. 17, 7–8:30 pm
- **SHERWOOD**
  Tuesday, Aug. 21, 7–8:30 pm

**Free RPG Day in the Forest City**
All ages
Participate in drop-in games or organized Dungeons & Dragons Adventurers League games. A collaborative community gaming event sponsored by L.A.Mood Comics & Games, Uber Cool Stuff, The Game Chamber, Emerald Dreams and Forest City Comicon.
- **CENTRAL**
  Saturday, Jun. 16, 9 am–5 pm

**Volunteer Mentorship Fair**
Interested in volunteering as a mentor? Learn how the Library’s R.E.A.D. and English Conversation Programs create one-on-one partnership opportunities between learners and volunteers. Volunteer applications for these programs will be available.
- **WESTMOUNT**
  Wednesday, Jul. 18, 2–4 pm
- **JALNA**
  Thursday, Jul. 19, 6–8 pm
- **BEACOCK**
  Tuesday, Jul. 24, 6–8 pm
- **EAST LONDON**
  Wednesday, Jul. 25, 2–4 pm

**East London Puzzle & Game Exchange**
All ages
Bring in your gently used games or puzzles and receive a ticket to exchange for another game or puzzle. Items should have all pieces and be in good condition.
- **EAST LONDON**
  Saturday, Aug. 11, 2:30–3:30 pm
Health & Wellness

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

CMHA: The Literary Circle
We will explore different writing genres and work on our own projects. In partnership with CMHA Middlesex.
- LANDON
  Wednesdays, 1:30–3:30 pm

Therapy Dog Chillout
Feeling stressed? Need a break? Drop in to spend time with a St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog! Bask in the puppy love and boost your spirits.
- CENTRAL
  Wednesdays, 10:30 am–12 pm

CMHA: Men’s Group
Gather to share and discuss topics such as men’s physical and mental health, finding purpose, relationships and communication, and demystifying machoism. In partnership with CMHA Middlesex.
- CROUCH
  Thursdays, 2–4 pm

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 until Jun. 21

Ask a Nurse Health Clinic
Health Zone’s Registered Nurse offers resources and services as needed and available. No appointment or Health Card necessary.
- CROUCH
  Fridays, 12:30–2:30 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

Learning & Support Group for Adult Survivors of Child Abuse
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
  Saturdays, Jun. 9, 23, July 14, 28, Aug. 11, 10 am–12 pm

CMHA: Intersections
This group is a safe space for people who identify within the LGBTQ+ Spectrum or are exploring their sexual identity. Come out and develop a peer support base through various activities. In partnership with CMHA Middlesex.
- CENTRAL
  2nd & 4th Monday of month, Jun. 11–Aug. 27, 2–4 pm
  Register by calling 519-432-1607 ext. 422.

CMHA: Assert Yourself
Learn how to communicate your thoughts, feelings and needs in a more effective and positive way. In partnership with CMHA Middlesex.
- CENTRAL
  Tuesdays, Jun. 26–Aug. 28, 10 am–12 pm
  Register by calling 519-432-1607 ext. 421.

CMHA: Music, Meaning and Me
We will discuss the different ways that music operates as a powerful force on the individual and how it can inspire change, soothe our negative emotions and allow us to express ourselves. In partnership with CMHA Middlesex.
- BEACOCK
  Tuesdays, Jun. 26–Jul. 31, 2–4 pm
  Register by calling 519-432-1607 ext. 416 or 424.

CMHA: Perfect, Imperfect
Participants will be provided with different exercises and activities to encourage the understanding of self-compassion and cultivate a gentler and less judgmental self-image. In partnership with CMHA Middlesex.
- EAST LONDON
  Thursdays, Jul. 12–Aug. 16, 5–7 pm
  Register by calling 519-432-1607 ext. 416 or 424.
**For Older Adults**

**Celebrating Seniors Series**  
Join us for an activity or speaker. In partnership with Medway Seniors Group.  
**Jun. 13:** Storybook Gardens  
**Jul. 11:** Health in Housing  
**Aug. 8:** Self Management  
• SHERWOOD  
2nd Wednesday of month, 2–3 pm  

**Francophone Seniors’ Group**  
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.  
• CHERRYHILL  
Fridays, 1–3 pm  
• JALNA  
Wednesdays, 1–3 pm, until Jun. 27  

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

**Exercise the SMART Way**  
Get a natural high by joining these fun, energetic classes. In partnership with VON. No sessions Jul. 6 & Aug. 10.  
• CHERRYHILL  
Fridays, 10–11 am

**Parenting**

**Middlesex-London Health Unit,**  
**Infant Growth/Development and Breastfeeding Drop-In**  
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.  
• BYRON  
Tuesdays, Jul. 10–31, 6:30–8:30 pm  
• CHERRYHILL  
Thursdays, Jul. 19–Aug. 9, 6:30–8:30 pm  
• EAST LONDON  
Wednesdays, Jun. 13–Jul. 4, 6:30–8:30 pm  
• JALNA  
Thursdays, Jul. 26–Aug. 16, 6:30–8:30 pm  
• MASONVILLE  
Thursdays, Jul. 5–26, 6:30–8:30 pm  
• POND MILLS  
Tuesdays, Jun. 19–Jul. 10, 6:30–8:30 pm  
• SHERWOOD  
Wednesdays, Aug. 8–29, 6:30–8:30 pm  
• STONEY CREEK  
Tuesdays, Aug. 7–28, 6:30–8:30 pm

**Programs & Classes with a Fee**

**Exercise Your Power with IntenSati**  
IntenSati is Intent (Intension) + 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.  
• BYRON  
Saturdays, Jun. 2–30, 10–10:45 am  
Fee: $40. Registration begins May 23.  

**Paint Night for Adults & Teens**  
15+ years  
A fun night of painting in this Landon Studio workshop. Participants will leave with their painted canvas. Beginners welcome. Dress for mess!  
• LANDON  
Tuesday, Jun. 26, 6:30–8:30 pm  
Fee: $10. Registration begins Jun. 5.  

**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 to inspire you year round. Basic supplies provided, but feel free to bring your own.  
• BYRON  
Thursday, Aug. 23, 6:30–8:30 pm  
Fee: $5. Registration begins Jun. 1.  

**Tai Chi for Adults and Seniors**  
A gentle series of flowing moves that reduce stress, improve balance, increase flexibility and strengthen muscles and joints.  
• LANDON  
Thursdays, Aug. 30–Oct. 18, 11 am–12 pm  
Fee: $40. Registration begins Jul. 31.
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 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 ext.300.
- SHERWOOD
  Tuesdays, 9 am–12 pm
- POND MILLS
  Tuesdays, 1–5 pm
- BEACOCK
  Thursdays, 9 am–3:30 pm
- EAST LONDON
  2nd Saturday of month, 9 am–1 pm
- JALNA
  Tuesdays, 9 am–12 pm
  Fridays, 1–5 pm
  4th Saturday of month, 12:30–4:30 pm

Community Employment Services
Fanshawe: Resume Drop-In
Learn to write effective resumes and cover letters that clearly display your skills, experience and all you have to offer employers. In partnership with Community Employment Services, Fanshawe College.
- BEACOCK
  2nd Thursday of month, 9 am–12 pm

Getting Together with Technology
Group discussion about ways that technology can be used to improve accessibility for vision-impaired persons.
- CENTRAL
  Jun. 14, Thursday, 6–8 pm

Services at Central Library
Western University law students and pro bono lawyers are available to help with legal issues and court procedures. By appointment only. For more information call 519-661-3352.
- CENTRAL
  Mondays, Jun. 4–Aug. 13, 5–6 pm & 6–7 pm

Take Control of Your Job Search with London Employment Help Centre
Get help with your resume, cover letter, career counselling and other services. For information and to book an appointment email dganeshakumar@lehc.ca or call 519-439-0501 ext.262.
- SHERWOOD
  1st Tuesday of month, Jun. 5–Aug. 7, 1:30–4:30 pm

Job Search Workshops with Nokee Kwe
Experts from Nokee Kwe Employment Centre will offer help in effective resume and cover letter writing.
Jun. 12: Resumes
Jun. 19: Cover Letters
Jun. 26: Resumes
- JALNA
  Tuesdays, Jun. 12–26, 2:30–3:30 pm
Register for each workshop by calling Nokee Kwe at 519-667-7088.

Community Volunteer Income Tax Clinic for 2017 Returns
Volunteers from the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program will help individuals with an income of less than $30,000 and couples with a combined income of less than $40,000 to complete their income tax and benefit return. Please note: volunteers are not agents of the CRA. 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.
- CROUCH
  Wednesdays, Jun. 13, 27, Jul. 11, 25, Aug. 8, 22, 9:30 am–12:30 pm

The Power of Planning
Attend this introductory presentation to have your questions answered about preparing your will and estate plan as well as choosing a power of attorney. In partnership with Forest Lawn Funeral Home & Cemetery.
- EAST LONDON
  Wednesday, Jun. 20, 11 am–12 pm

Mobility Device Inspection Clinic
Is your mobility device in need of a minor repair? Free maintenance inspections of manual and power wheelchairs, scooters, walkers, canes, etc. In partnership with March of Dimes Canada.
- CHERRYHILL
  Tuesday, Jul. 24, 10 am–3 pm
- BYRON
  Thursday, Jul. 26, 11 am–3 pm
Your Library strengthens people and neighbourhoods with services, resources and welcoming spaces available to everyone. Your donation helps us to enrich lives, inspire creativity and support opportunities for all Londoners at every stage of life. Thank you, Library Donors, for the generous support of your community.

For more information about giving to your Library:
www.lpl.ca/donate
519-661-5100 x.5460
donations@lpl.ca
Digital Essentials

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.

How to Use a Mouse & Keyboard: This course is for people who are new to using a mouse and keyboard or for those who would like to practice their skills.

Computers: Learn the basic functions of the computer and find out about computers at your library.

Internet: Learn about the Internet, how to use search engines, how to find and use websites, and techniques for searching the Internet.

Email: Learn how to create, send and receive messages. Gmail will be demonstrated.

LEARNING TO USE THE MOUSE & KEYBOARD

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Facebook: Learn how to make a Facebook account, set your privacy settings and connect with your family and friends.

How to Use Your iPhone: This course will introduce you to your iPhone – icons, settings, call, email and text options, camera and photos, clock, calendar and Safari.

How to Use Your Android Phone: This course will introduce you to Android smartphones and the differences between devices. Get started setting up your device, creating a Google account, home screen, basic apps, basic gestures, and navigating your phone, Internet, camera and apps.

How to Use Your iPad Tablet: This course will introduce you to your iPad tablet, including how to use a touch screen and an introduction to important apps like contacts, mail, camera, photos, Facetime and how to access the Internet. Bring your iPads to class.

How to Use Your Android Tablet: This course will introduce you to your Android tablet, including how to use a touch screen and an introduction to important apps like contacts, camera, photos and how to access the Internet. Bring your Android tablet to class.

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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**Adults**

**Computer Help**

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

- **BEACOCK:** 519-451-8140
- **BYRON:** 519-471-4000
- **CENTRAL:** 519-661-4600***
- **CHERRYHILL:** 519-439-6456
- **EAST LONDON:** 519-451-7600***
- **JALNA:** 519-685-6465
- **LANDON:** 519-439-6240
- **MASONVILLE:** 519-660-4646
- **SHERWOOD:** 519-473-9965
- **STONEY CREEK:** 519-930-2065

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**1:1 Technology Help**

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**

**HOW TO USE YOUR iPHONE**

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SCIENCE & ENGINEERING WINNERS!

We congratulate the winners of the London Public Library Award at the 2018 Thames Valley Science and Engineering Fair, presented March 26 at Althouse College, Faculty of Education, Western University.

Solar Tracking Panel
by Julia Geurten

Phone Charger Powered by Body Heat
by Natalie McIntosh and Timna-Sera Habta

Plastic From Milk?
by Hamail Raza

Easy, Green, Inexpensive: Water Purification
by Sunaina Vallamkonda and Jenn Xu

Left to right: Katelyn Gamaitis (London Public Library), Jenn Xu, Julia Geurten, Sunaina Vallamkonda, Natalie McIntosh, Timna-Sera Habta. Hamail Raza (inset photo) was absent from the Award Ceremony.

STEM & STEAM Library Resources

Find eBooks for your science projects in the Gale Virtual Reference Library, a database that includes encyclopedias and specialized reference resources on a wide range of subjects. The titles we select for this database focus on the school curriculum, ensuring students can find relevant materials for assignments. The database performs a search within all eBooks, letting you attain targeted and specific search results, and the articles contain links to more related subjects. Find GVRL in the Information Databases on our website and log in with your library card number.
Imagine coming to a new country, leaving behind your home and everything that is familiar. Arriving in a safe place with their family is a relief for so many. They look forward to a new life and future for their children. But there is so much to learn, including a new language. Finding the services needed to get started – language lessons, applying for a work permit, enrolling a child in school – can be challenging, making settlement services an essential resource for newcomers as they move forward.

Aosan Farid, Library Settlement Worker at Jalna Branch Library, says newcomers can feel overwhelmed trying to understand a new culture while navigating our service systems as they find housing and health care, sign up for ESL or citizenship classes, get documents translated, or start the complex process of making a claim for refugee or immigration status. They find it very reassuring to visit the LSP services at the Library, knowing they will find a familiar face who can answer their questions, often in their own language. “Providing this support to newcomers,” she says, “makes a big difference as they make Canada their home.”

Library Settlement Partnership

Library Settlement Workers are available at two London Public Library locations. LSP 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 much more.

BEACOCK
Tuesday–Thursday, 9 am–8 pm
Friday & Saturday, 9 am–5 pm

JALNA
Tuesday–Friday, 9 am–5 pm
Saturday, 9 am–5 pm

The LSP program is funded by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada. The program is a partnership between the Library, LUSO Community Services and the South London Community Centre.

Khitam Khudeish (left), her daughter, Suha, and granddaughter, Sally, with LSP staff Aosan Farid. Khitam says when she and Suha arrived in London almost two years ago they relied on the LSP services at Jalna Branch Library. Not understanding new ways of doing things and not knowing the language made it very difficult to know where to start. The Settlement Workers helped them find an immigration lawyer, often one of the first things newcomers need in order to start their claim process. Suha was also referred to a prenatal program for newcomers at the nearby South London Community Centre where the nurse was able to help her find a family doctor for Sally’s delivery and ongoing care. Khitam and Suha are Palestinians who had sought refuge in Iraq, living there until the war broke out, then coming to Canada. Khitam hopes to be able to sponsor her husband soon and reunite the family.

**Monday, June 11 | 7 pm**

**Central Library | 251 Dundas Street**

**Stevenson & Hunt Room**

**Admission by Donation**

**Reception to follow**

Speaking With Friends supports children’s and youth literacy programs at London Public Library.

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

Friends of the Library

**GIANT BOOK SALE**

October 19–21

You won't want to miss it! There’s always an amazing selection of used books, movies, magazines and more! The Friends will be looking for volunteers to help out at the Book Sale. Our next issue of Access will give you information on volunteering.

This year's Book Sale will be held at Centennial Hall, 550 Wellington Street, on the lower level.

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**Library Board Chair, Stuart Clark, receiving a donation from Friends of the Library President, Carmen Sprovieri, on February 22. This generous gift of $68,500 will support children's literacy initiatives, our Book Club in a Bag service and the popular Jazz for the People concerts.**

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**The library store**

**Mondays–Thursdays 10 am–5:30 pm**

**Fridays 10 am–5 pm**

**Saturdays 10 am–4 pm**

**Closed Sundays & Holidays**

The store is operated by Friends of the London Public Library and run entirely by volunteers. Located at the Central Library.
OPENING THIS FALL!
Your new Community Centre, YMCA & Library

This beautiful community destination, located at 501 Southdale Road West (west of Wonderland and east of Bostwick) will offer programs for all ages and abilities, including skating, swimming, fitness, cooking and all your favourite Library activities, programs and services! YMCA membership sales and tours will begin at the site starting on August 7. Online and phone registration for City of London Spectrum programs will begin in late August and Library programs will be included in your next (September) issue of ACCESS magazine.

We’ll be posting important information on our website as it is confirmed, such as the closing date of the Westmount Pop Up Library and the opening date of your incredible new Library and community facility! www.lpl.ca

We can’t wait to welcome you to your beautiful new community facility. Here’s some of what you’ll find waiting for you:

- London Public Library Branch on two levels with all your favourite library materials; computers; reading and children’s areas; and rooms for attending programs, studying, meeting and being creative.
- Free indoor walking loop
- Indoor pools and gymnasium
- Double pad arena
- YMCA fitness facility
- Community kitchen
- Multipurpose community space
- Service London counter

www.southwest2018.ca
Writer-in-Residence 2018-19

Cherie Dimaline

author of The Marrow Thieves

We are excited to announce Cherie Dimaline as Writer-in-Residence for 2018-19. Her recent novel, The Marrow Thieves, was a finalist for CBC’s Canada Reads 2018. It received two awards in 2017, the Governor General’s Award for Young People’s Literature in English and the Kirkus Prize for Young Readers’ Literature. Cherie Dimaline was named Emerging Artist of the Year at the Ontario Premier’s Awards for Excellence in Arts in 2014. She is the founding editor of Muskrat Magazine, an online Indigenous publication focusing on sovereignty, culture and the celebration of community excellence, and became the first Indigenous writer-in-residence for the Toronto Public Library in 2014-2015. Writer-in-Residence office hours begin in September. More information will be available in the Fall Access and on our website.

www.lpl.ca/writerinresidence

Come Code With Us!

Code-a-pillar is one of the awesome coding toys you can play with in upcoming programs featuring the Library’s new educational technology that supports children’s creativity and interactive learning experiences. Kids will learn sequencing, problem-solving and more by connecting the segments of Code-a-pillar that make it go forward, left, right – wherever they choose! We also have Code & Go Mouse, Osmo Coding Jam, Osmo Coding Awbie, Let’s Go Code, Robot Turtles, Snapino and more! Check our Science & Technology programs for Children & Families in our listings starting on page 9.

Online Requests for Book Club in a Bag

We have improved your search experience for Book Club in a Bag. Now you will see at a glance which book sets are available for borrowing that day. You can also search for bags that will be available on a specific date – like your book club’s next meeting! For high-demand titles, you can check when the book bag will be available and submit your request for that date. Use the online request form and receive confirmation of availability by email within 48 hours. You can always call 519-661-4600 for more information and to request your Book Club in a Bag.
NEW IN OUR COLLECTIONS

ADULT FICTION

Cold Skies
Thomas King

Love and Ruin
Paula McLain

Motherhood
Sheila Heti

The Perfect Mother
Aimee Molloy

Warlight
Michael Ondaatje

ADULT NON FICTION

Aware: The Science and Practice of Presence
Daniel J. Siegel

In the French Kitchen with Kids: Easy, Everyday Dishes for the Whole Family to Make and Enjoy
Mardi Michels

The Herbalist’s Kitchen: Cooking and Healing with Herbs
Pat Crocker

My Girls: A Lifetime with Carrie and Debbie
Todd Fisher

Quench: Beat Fatigue, Drop Weight, and Heal Your Body through the New Science of Optimum Hydration
Dana Cohen

TEEN BOOKS

Don’t Cosplay with My Heart
Cecil Castellucci

The Defiant
Lesley Livingston

Fourth Dimension
Eric Walters

Reaper at the Gates
Sabaa Tahir

Speak: the graphic novel
Laurie Halse Anderson, artwork by Emily Carroll

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Borrow movies, television shows, documentaries, music and audiobooks with this on demand digital media service.

OverDrive
You can choose from thousands of eBooks and eAudiobooks with this digital media platform.

PressReader
Access same-day newspapers from around the world in full-colour, full-page format.

RBdigital
This service provides access to dozens of eMagazines with your smartphone, tablet or computer.

InstantFlix
An online streaming service providing access to movies by independent filmmakers. Includes shorts, features and documentaries, with thousands of selections from 85 countries.

Mango Languages
Choose courses in over 60 different languages with this online language learning system.

Information Databases
Access articles from newspapers, magazines, academic journals, encyclopedias and directories. Includes specialized databases with health, consumer and business information.

www.lpl.ca/digital
Get a Card!
Library cards are free to London residents, and to members of county libraries in Elgin, Middlesex & Oxford, except the town of Woodstock. Cards are issued on presentation of personal identification and proof of London or eligible county residency. Non-residents may obtain a Library card for $10 a month, to a maximum of $50 a year.

NEW! Library card renewal period has been extended to every 2 years.

Borrowing Periods
Limit of 20 DVDs per card.
Maximum of 60 items per card.
- Books & CDs: 21 days
- Quick Picks & Magazines: 7 days
- High demand material: 7 days
- Feature Film DVDs: 7 days
- Games: 7 days
- All other DVDs: 21 days
- eBooks & eAudio: up to 21 days
- eVideo: up to 5 days
- Laptops: 7 days
- Hotspots: 21 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
• by phone – 519-661-4600

Late Charges
Late fees on overdue items are charged by calendar day, including Sunday, at all locations.
We send an electronic or phone message about overdue items 6 days after the due date. Give us your email address and we’ll send you an email reminder before the due date.

You can pay fines online!

InterLibrary Loan
Borrow materials from many other library systems through our library’s Interlibrary Loan service:
www.lpl.ca/page/interlibrary-loan

Visiting Library
Anyone unable to use standard library facilities may request home delivery by calling 519-661-6444. Visiting Library Service also oversees the distribution of CNIB Talking Books.

Accessibility
We want to be accessible to you. Ask about our resources and services.

Book A Librarian
Make an appointment for one-on-one help at Central Library with our online resources, databases and print collections, based on your research needs or question. www.lpl.ca/bal

My Library! App
Search the catalogue, manage your account. Check out, place holds and download eBooks and eAudio.
www.lpl.ca/mylibrary

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Computers & Internet
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.

Connect to our wireless network on your laptop or mobile device at all branches.

Book a Meeting, Event or Art Exhibit
Wolf Performance Hall & Meeting Space Rentals
Space available in many locations. Let us help you plan your next event: 519-661-5120 (Mon–Fri, 9 am–5 pm) meeting.space@lpl.ca www.lpl.ca/meetingspace

Program Registration
519-661-5122 (Mon–Fri, 9 am–5 pm)

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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JALNA 519-685-6465 1119 Jalna Blvd. N6E 3B3
LAMBETH 519-652-2951 7112 Beattie St. N6P 1A2
LANDON 519-439-6240 167 Wortley Rd. N6C 3P6
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SUMMER REGISTRATION DATES

Many programs are drop in, with no registration needed!

For children’s programs requiring registration, register in person, online or call 519-661-4600:
starting Saturday, June 16 for July programs
starting Saturday, July 21 for August programs

Register starting Saturday, June 23 for the TD Summer Reading Club and Get Caught Reading programs.