

# ULTIMATE SUMMER READING KICKOFF PARTY

Saturday, June 6 • 2PM - 4PM • All Ages

Join us for a fun filled afternoon of literacy with Halaloo balloons, bouncy castle, face painting, cotton candy and more!

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OUR TD SUMMER  
READING CLUB!

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## Library Closures

Sunday, May 17 - Victoria Day

Monday, May 18 - Victoria Day

# For Adults

Visit [grimsbylibrary.ca](http://grimsbylibrary.ca) to register

## Tech Help

**Tuesdays | 3 - 4PM | Centre Space**

**Wednesdays | 4 - 5PM | Centre Space**

Teen volunteers are here to help you with your technology questions! **Drop-in.**

## Grimsby Repair Café

**Saturday, May 2 | 10 - 1PM | Lounge**

Got something that needs fixing? Don't toss it, just bring it to the Grimsby Repair Café! This free event connects community members with skilled local volunteers who can help repair items or teach you how to fix them yourself. Our menders and fixers will also let you know if an item cannot be repaired.

Volunteers can assist with: Small home appliances, minor electrical repair (e.g., lamps), general household repairs, small wooden furniture, simple jewelry, tool sharpening

**Everyone welcome / Drop-in.**



## 72-hour Preparedness: Be Ready Workshop

**Wednesday, May 6 | 6:30 - 8PM | Lounge**

Emergencies can happen anywhere at any time. In Canada, we face many hazards from wildfires, flooding, heat waves, and earthquakes. The Be Ready workshop is aimed at raising individual emergency preparedness. BE READY In this free workshop facilitated by the Canadian Red Cross. Participants will learn about:

- The potential hazards and risks in their area
- How to create an emergency plan
- How to assemble an emergency kit
- The importance of social and support networks during emergencies

**Registration required.**

## Magnificent Monarchs: Gardens for Endangered Pollinators

**Thursday, May 7 | 7 - 8PM | Lounge**

Learn how about native pollinators, their importance to the local ecosystem, and how to develop your own pollinator gardens. Presenters Jan and Marion are retired Registered Nurses who have been turning their properties into way stations for birds bees, butterflies, and moths. As Butterflyway Rangers with the David Suzuki Foundation, their focus is on native pollinator plants. **Registration Required.**

## The Kindness Circle

**Tuesday, May 12 | 6:30 - 7:30PM | Program Room**

Join us for a monthly, facilitated conversation where participants share stories, poems, and lived experiences around themes such as kindness, resilience, and community. This welcoming, inclusive program is designed to build connection and support emotional wellbeing through shared storytelling, and is hosted by local author and educator Harjeet Dhillon. **Registration required.**

## The Real Estate Ecosystem

**Thursday, May 14 | 7 - 8PM | Lounge**

Curious how the real estate market really works behind the scenes? Join local real estate professional Gerry Vandermolten for an accessible, insider look at today's housing landscape. From buying and selling to rentals and house flipping, this session breaks down the full "real estate ecosystem" Learn how different roles fit together, including agents, brokers, lawyers, inspectors, contractors, and more, and walk away with a clearer understanding of the process. **Registration Required.**



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## Film Club: Aftersun

Thursday, May 14 | 7 - 8PM | Lounge

This bi-monthly meeting is like a book club, but to discuss films instead of books. Stream *Aftersun* for free using the Library's Kanopy app and then join us for a lively discussion.

Sophie reflects on the shared joy and private melancholy of a holiday she took with her father twenty years earlier. Memories real and imagined fill the gaps between as she tries to reconcile the father she knew with the man she didn't.

**Registration Required.**



## Movie Night: Hamnet

Wednesday, May 20 | 6:45 - 8:45PM | Lounge

Join us for a movie night featuring *Hamnet*!

After losing their son Hamnet to plague, Agnes and William Shakespeare grapple with grief in 16th-century England. A healer, Agnes must find strength to care for her surviving children while processing her devastating loss. **Drop-in.**



## Interview Skills Workshop

Wednesday, May 20 | 3:30 - 4:30PM | Studio

**Teens and Adults welcome!**

Ace Your Next Interview! This interactive workshop will teach you how to answer common and behavioural questions with confidence, structure strong responses, and prepare effectively so you make a lasting impression. Learn what employers are really looking for—and how to avoid costly mistakes.

**Register through the Employment Help link on our website, or scan the QR code to register.**



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## Brain Injury Association of Niagara Peer Support Group

Wednesday, May 20 | 6 - 7PM | Program Room

This monthly facilitated group meeting is open to all adults living with the effects of brain injury.

**Email [info@bianiagara.org](mailto:info@bianiagara.org) to register.**

## Guided Meditation

Monday, May 25 | 7 - 7:45PM | Studio

Find calm, clarity, and connection. Each session is led by Nisreen Mama-Foda, certified Hypnotist and Reiki Master who will guide participants through gentle mindfulness practices designed to reduce stress, improve focus, and support overall well-being. This beginner-friendly program offers a welcoming space to pause, breathe, and recharge.

**Registration required.**



## Whats Next? Find Your Path with Human Design

Thursday, May 28 | 7 - 8:30PM | Lounge

Feeling at a crossroads? Whether you're navigating a career change, relationship shift, or simply ready for something new, this workshop offers practical guidance to help you move forward with confidence. In this 90-minute session, facilitated by Matalya Onuoha, Human Design Strategist and founder of Rewrite Coaching, you'll be introduced to Human Design, a tool that reveals how you're uniquely wired to make decisions and move forward with confidence. No prior knowledge is required, and participants will receive a personalized Mini-Energetic Blueprint. **Registration required.**

# For Families

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## Weekly Programs

### Play Cafe Drop-In

**Mondays | 10:30AM - 12:30PM**  
**Children's Area | Ages 3+**

Explore and play with our variety of café-themed toys. Get ready to pour, serve, and brew up some fun! **Drop-in.**

### Homeschool Hub

**Mondays | 11AM - 12PM**  
**Centre Space | All Ages**

Join us for hands-on activities, creative projects, and connection with other homeschoolers. Enjoy a mix of STEM, art, and writing activities that change each week. **Drop-in.**

### #MeMadeMay Craft Cart

**Mondays | 3:30 - 4:30PM**  
**Centre Space | Ages 6+**

Celebrate creativity all month long with "Me Made May" a celebration of handmade items. Join us every Monday in May to craft something new. **Drop-in.**

### Preschool Drop-In

**Tuesdays | 10:30AM - 12PM**  
**Children's Area | Ages 0+**

Meet in our children's area with your preschool child! We will have puzzles and toys available. This is a great opportunity for little ones and caretakers to meet with others. **Drop-in.**

### Family Game Night

**Wednesdays | 5:30 - 6:30PM | Centre Space**

Grab the whole crew and drop in for a night of laughs, teamwork, and friendly competition! Whether you're a trivia whiz, or puzzle pro, there is something for everyone! Just show up and play! **Drop-in.**

### Drop-In Chess

**Thursdays | 7 - 8PM | Centre Space | Ages 7+**

Drop in for a casual game of chess with our teen volunteer or another chess enthusiast. Beginners welcome! **Drop-in.**

### May the 4<sup>th</sup> be with you!

**Monday, May 4 | 3:30 - 4:30PM**  
**Centre Space | Ages 5+**

Join us on May the 4th to celebrate Star Wars fandom! Create your own buttons using recycled comic books. **Registration required.**



### Cinco de Mayo Craft and Movie

**Tuesday, May 5 | 3:30 - 5:15PM |**  
**Centre Space | All Ages**

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with us by making a craft while watching the film Coco!

Aspiring musician Miguel, confronted with his family's ancestral ban on music, enters the Land of the Dead to find his great-great-grandfather, a legendary singer. **Drop-in**



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## "Greenscreen" Mother's Day Bookmarks

**Thursday, May 7 | 3:30 - 4:30PM**  
**Children's Area | Ages 5+**

Searching for the perfect gift for a book loving mom or someone special who fills your life with love? Join us to create a one of a kind keepsake. First come first serve, while supplies last.  
**Drop-in.**



## Therapy Tails

**Tuesday, May 12 and 26 | 6:30 - 7:30PM**  
**Children's Area | All Ages**

Kids and teens can read stories to the gentle and cute Therapy Tails dogs. Woof! **Drop-in.**



## Ozobots!

**Thursday, May 14 & 28 | 3:30 - 4:30PM**  
**Centre Space | Ages 6+**

Ozobots are a fantastic way to introduce kids to the exciting world of programming, communication, and robotics! They're super easy to use and provide fun rewards for everyone, no matter their skill level. Kids will have a blast learning while playing!  
**Registration required.**

**Program will be running once on May 14 and once on May 28, please register for only one of the available spots.**

## Storytime Programs

### Story Time

**Wednesday, May 6, 13, 27 | 10 - 10:30AM**  
**Children's Area | Ages 2+**

Stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft for children ages 2+ years! **Drop-in.**

### Bouncing Babies

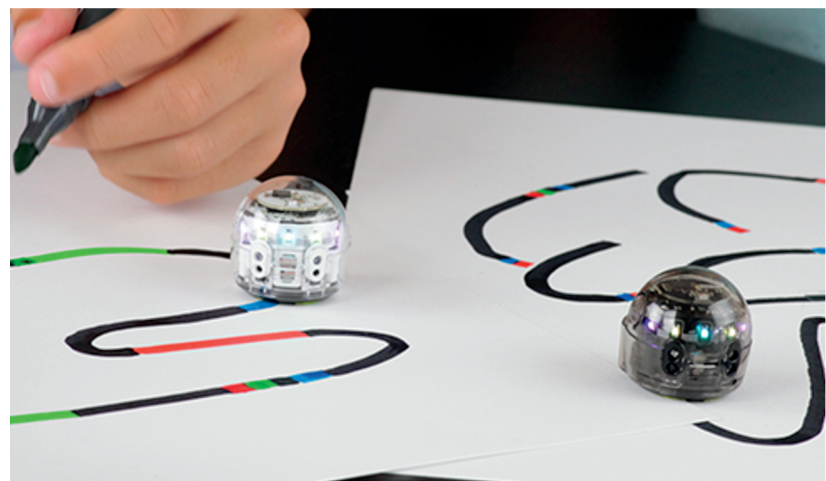
**Thursdays & Fridays, April 9 - May 15**  
**9:30 - 10AM | Children's Area | 0-12 Months**

It's never too early to introduce your baby to the wonderful world of books! Enjoy reading and singing with your baby in your arms while meeting other caregivers. Please bring a blanket for your little one to sit/lie on. **Drop-in.**

### Babies On The Move

**Thursdays & Fridays, April 9 - May 15**  
**10:30 - 11AM | Children's Area | 12-24 Months**

Share stories, rhymes, songs and movement with your little one! Enjoy reading and singing with your baby while meeting other caregivers and children. **Drop-in.**



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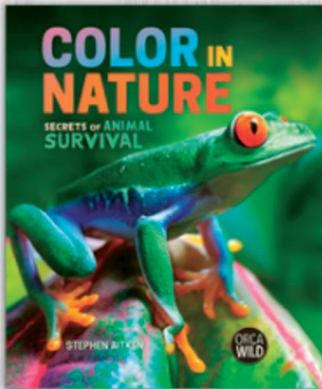
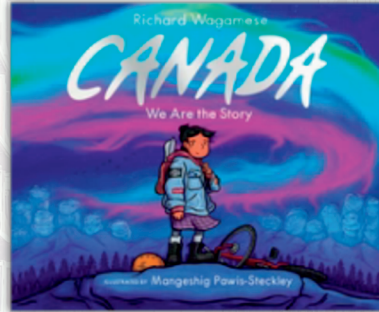
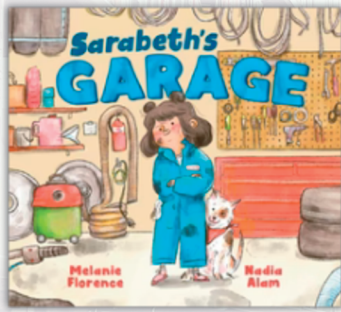
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## Celebrate Canadian Children's Book Week



Sunday, April 26 to Saturday, May 2.

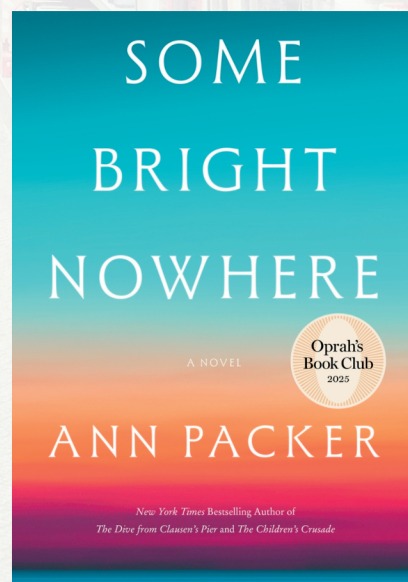
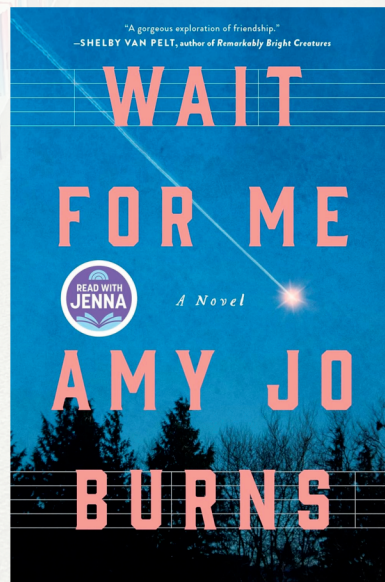
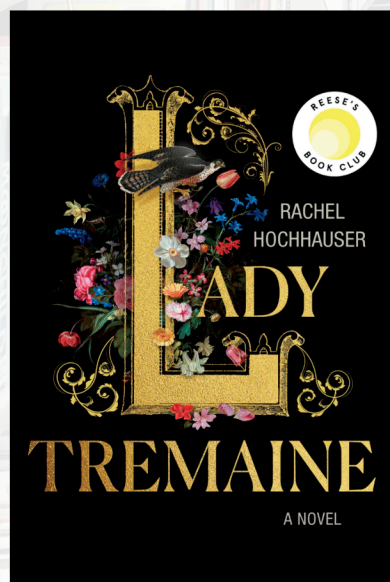
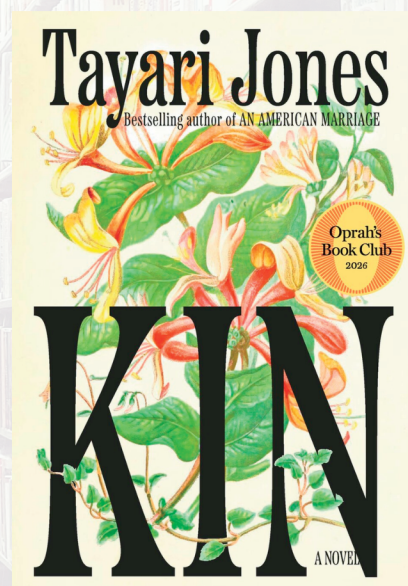
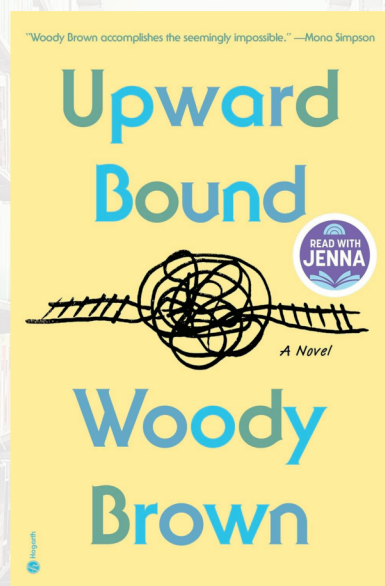
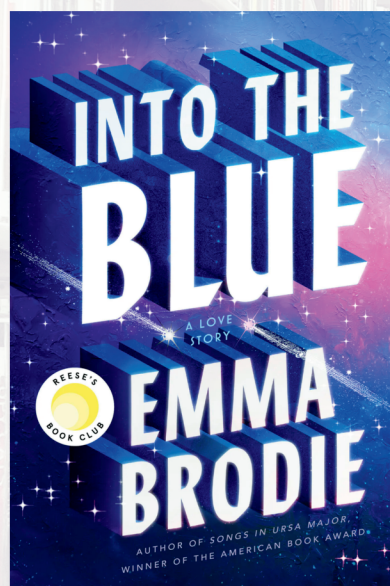


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## Celebrity Book Clubs

From Reese's Book Club Picks, to Oprah's Book Club, to Read with Jenna, check out some of these celebrity book club titles!



# Stay up to Date

Visit [calendar.grimsby.ca/library](http://calendar.grimsby.ca/library) for the latest program/event updates

# EXAM CARE KITS

*We're rooting for you!*

## Studying for exams?

Exam season is stressful for everyone, but we're rooting for you! We'll be offering exam care kits to help you through your next cram session.

Available while supplies last.



## Intermediate Ukulele

**Mondays, May 25 - June 22 | 10 -10:45 AM**

**Ages 9+ | Studio**

Ukuleles are affordable and accessible for anyone who would like to start playing music. Join us for a four part series of beginner ukulele lessons to get started with simple chords and songs.

Bring your own ukulele or borrow one from the library.

**Registration Required.**



## How can I stay up to date with my library?



The best way to stay up to date is by subscribing to one of our e-newsletters, delivered straight to your inbox. Scan the QR Code to select the right newsletter for you!

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