

WHAT'S ON



This May, let's celebrate
National Youth Week!

Welcome



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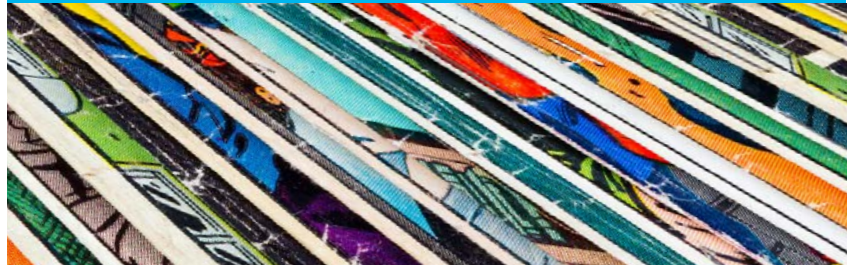
Welcome to the May–June issue of WHAT'S ON, where you will discover all of the great things we have going on at Vaughan Public Libraries! Here you will find the latest programs, services and collections, as well as the news items that deserve your attention.

On that note, this Spring, a new Vaughan Public Library Board was appointed, and everyone on the VPL Team is excited to work with them and build upon all the great successes of recent years. Our new Board members are enthusiastic, dedicated and ready to make a difference. They all share the belief that libraries should be for everyone in our community, and this WHAT'S ON really highlights how we have something for all ages. In early May we celebrate Youth Week, with a range of activities that include cooking, gaming and a Marvel Movie Marathon. At the end of June, the ever-popular Summer Reading Club kicks off with puppet shows, and between those bookends we're highlighting our ongoing programs for older adults, which you can see on the opposite page.

A new Board term makes us look to what the future holds. Over the coming few years we'll see new libraries open at Carrville and West Woodbridge, and this displays our commitment to ensuring libraries are accessible to everyone in the City. We'll also continue the dedication to innovation that has characterized Vaughan Public Libraries, so expect great new things on the horizon. In the meantime, let's celebrate all the great items in the present and dive into the current issue.

Margie

Featured Services



FREE COMICS!

Come and celebrate Free Comic Book Month by picking up your very own comic from any VPL location from May 6–31. Don't forget to use your super speed powers — supplies are limited!



COMBAT PERIOD POVERTY IN VAUGHAN!

For the month of May, you can drop off new packages of menstrual products in support of local menstruators. Your gift will ensure that everyone has fair access to pads and tampons, one pack at a time. Donations will be distributed by Bleed the North.



THE TD SUMMER READING CLUB IS HERE!

Kick off a summer of reading fun by visiting any one of our libraries on Saturday, June 24 or Sunday, June 25 to pick up your TD Summer Reading Club kit. We even have puppet shows lined up on June 25 at each of our Resource Libraries—check out our family section for more info! Registration continues all summer long!

Aging Well at VPL



June is Older Adult Month.

To celebrate, VPL is offering a roster of programs of interest to older adults. Join our exciting programs to help combat ageism and reframe what it means to age well.

The Aging Well Club ☺

A series for adventurous older adults to learn and interact with others, featuring different themes and guests. Join us in person or on Zoom.

DC Wed, May 17 & June 21, 2 pm

PBRL Mon, May 8 & June 12, 7 pm

WO Thur, May 18 & June 15, 2 pm

Creative Aging: Hike & Haiku ☺

At stops along the beautiful Humber trail, with the help of our instructor, Haiku will be created seemingly effortlessly. Participants will benefit from fresh air and camaraderie.

KL Thursday, May 11, 2 pm

Creative Aging: Drum Circle ☺

Drumming is terrific fun, requires no experience, and has a wealth of health benefits. Led by Rhythmic by Nature. For older adults.

CCRL Sunday, June 4, 2 pm



Please pre-register at
vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com

The 4 Phases of Retirement ☺

Discover the four phases of retirement and the psychological changes that accompany this period of life. Presented by best-selling author Dr. Riley Moynes.

ZOOM Monday, June 5, 7 pm

Reframing Menopause ☺

Learn new ways to view menopause to see it as a natural, exciting and powerful phase of our lives. With author Susan Willson.

ZOOM Wednesday, June 7, 7 pm

Elder Abuse Awareness ☺

Learn what constitutes elder abuse, how to recognize it, how to report it and how to support an older adult at risk.

ZOOM Tuesday, June 13, 7 pm

Elder Financial Abuse ☺

An overview of financial abuse of older adults, how to protect loved ones, and how to report it.

ZOOM Tuesday, June 20, 2 pm

MAKE IT!

LEARN IT!

CREATE IT!

Custom Party Favours @ Make It ^e

Personalized, custom gifts at your party will be remembered! See how our Make It devices can make it happen.

ZOOM Thursday, June 15, 7 pm

Design in 3D—For Kids ^e

Design your very own 3D creations using Tinkercad. For grades 4+.

BCRL Sunday, June 18, 2 pm

Design Projects: 3D Pencil Holder ^e

Design a custom 3D printed pencil holder on Tinkercad and we will print it! For grades 4–7. Families welcome.

ZOOM Wednesday, May 31, 6:30 pm

Discover Stop Motion!

Did you know that movies are just a series of pictures flashing by quickly? That means you can make a movie using still shots! For all ages.

Drop in and try for yourself!

BCRL Sunday, May 21, 2 pm

Energy Balls from Scratch ^e

Learn block coding with Scratch and use what you've learned to make your own delicious no-bake energy balls from scratch! For grades 3–8.

BCRL Monday, June 26, 6:30 pm

Make A Cool Box with Glowforge ^e

Want to make a customized gift box? Learn how to design your own and we will cut it out with our Glowforge. Registration is \$5.

PBRL Wednesday, May 3, 6:30 pm

Make It! with Generative AI ^e

Explore the evolving field of artificial intelligence with a variety of computer-assisted creation tools for arts, writing and even music!

For grades 9+ to adults

PBRL Wednesdays, May 10 – May 24, 7 pm

Sphero Crash Course ^e

Do you like robots? Drive, draw, and code our Sphero robots through an obstacle course of your making! For grades 5+.

VMC Tuesday, May 16, 4:30 pm

STEAM Careers ^e

Professionals in STEAM-related fields will join us to talk about their careers and answer your questions. Attend in person or over Zoom.

For grades 3–8.

BCRL Saturday, May 6, 2 pm

STEAM Club

Drop in and have fun exploring new STEAM topics with guided, hands-on activities about science, technology, engineering, art and math. For grades 3–8.

BCRL Tuesdays, May 2, 16 & 30, 2 pm

Tuesdays, May 9, 23 & June 6, 7 pm

MA Wednesdays, May 3, 17, 31 & June 14, 7 pm

PL Thursdays, May 4, 18, June 1 & 15, 7 pm

WO Wednesdays, May 3, 17, 31 & June 14, 6:30 pm

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BCRL Bathurst Clark Resource Library | **CCRL** Civic Centre Resource Library
MA Maple Library | **PBRL** Pierre Berton Resource Library | **PL** Pleasant Ridge Library
VMC VMC Library | **WO** Woodbridge Library





STEAM Workshops

Air Power!

Can you build a car powered by nothing but air? Join us to learn how to create a balloon-powered car that's fun and easy to build!

For grades 3–6. Registration is \$10.

BCRL Monday, May 29, 7 pm



Make & Take

Custom Water Bottle

Beat the heat with your own personalized water bottle! Learn to use our Cricut to create a water bottle unlike any other. For grades 5+.

Registration is \$10.

VV Monday, May 15, 6:30 pm

Felt Flowers

Feeling creative? Cut a unique flower that won't wilt with our Cricut and some felt!

This session is for adults. Registration is \$5.

BCRL Tuesday, May 30, 6:30 pm

Hot Beverage Mugs

Do you love warm cocoa? What better way to drink it than from a personalized mug made with our Cricut mug press?

For grades 5+. Registration is \$5.

BCRL Monday, May 15, 6:30 pm

Replicate

Learn about 3D printing, mould making, casting, and replicability over the course of 3 weeks. For grades 5+. Registration is \$10.

BCRL Mondays, June 5 – June 19, 7 pm

Super Shirts

Use the Cricut machine to design and make iron-on patches to customize your favourite shirt. For grades 5+. Registration is \$5.

VV Monday, June 19, 6:30 pm

P.A. Day STEAM Camp

MAKER MADNESS

We've got all things MAKER this P.A. Day at the library! We've got awesome activities and fun things to make. For grades 2–6. Registration is \$40.

Civic Centre Resource Library

Friday, June 2, 9 am–4 pm

 Register on Eventbrite



Passport to Vaughan Presents...



Hindi Kavi Sammelan

Join us for free poetry readings in Hindi by local and global poets and writers and learn about this tradition. In partnership with Hindi Chetna.

Dufferin Clark Library
Saturday, May 20 | 1:30 pm

Israeli Music

Learn some Israeli culture and delight your senses with some Israeli music. You may even learn a new song or two!

Bathurst Clark Resource Library
Monday, May 29 | 5 pm



Dragon Boat Festival

Let's celebrate the Dragon Boat Festival! Learn songs, stories, make paper-boats, plus more fun activities with your family.

Pleasant Ridge Library
Saturday, June 17 | 10 am

Preschool



Baby Adventures Storytime

Join us for lively songs, bounces, rhymes and plenty of baby time fun. This program is designed for babies from birth to crawling.

AN Mondays, 10 am* **PBRL Tuesdays, 10 am**
BCRL Tuesdays, 10 am **PL Mondays, 10 am***
CCRL Wednesdays, 2 pm **VMC Wednesdays, 10 am**
DC Thursdays, 2 pm **VV Wednesdays, 10 am**
MA Thursdays, 10 am **WO Thursdays, 2 pm**

*No program May 22

Books With Badges

Make community connections as we partner with York Regional Police for a special storytime! Enjoy songs and rhymes, ask questions, and listen to stories read by an officer!

AN Thursday, May 4, 10 am
PL Thursday, June 1, 10 am

L'heure du conte / French Storytime

Le meilleur moyen d'apprendre en ayant du plaisir grâce à de superbes histoires et chansons pour tous!

The perfect intro to French! Awesome stories and songs for everyone.

CCRL Saturdays, May 6 & June 10, 10 am

שעת סיפור בעברית / Hebrew Storytime

הצטרפו אלינו לסיפורים שירים, ומשחקי אצבע בעברית ובאנגלית.
בשיתוף עם הפדרציה היהודית המאוחדת של טורונטו רבתי.

*Join us for stories, songs and fingerplays in Hebrew and English.
In partnership with the UJA Federation of Greater Toronto.*

BCRL Wednesday, May 17, 5:30 pm

Storytime in italiano / Italian Storytime

Ciao a tutti! Vi invitiamo a partecipare con tutta la famiglia al nostro programma di storie, canzoni e rime divertenti in italiano.

Ciao a tutti! Join us for fun stories, songs and rhymes in Italian that you can enjoy with your whole family.

WO Thursdays, 6:30 pm

한국어 스토리타임 / Korean Storytime

재미있는 한국말 동화와 동요시간에 온가족을 초대합니다.

Join us for fun stories, songs and rhymes in Korean that you can enjoy with your whole family.

BCRL Wednesdays, May 10 & June 14, 10 am

Little Explorers Storytime

This program features songs, action rhymes, and early literacy activities designed for toddlers to kindergarten-aged children.

AN Thursdays, 10 am **MHV Tuesdays, 10 am**
BCRL Thursdays & Sundays, 10 am **PBRL Wednesdays & Saturdays, 10 am**
CCRL Fridays, 10 am **PL Thursdays, 10 am**
DC Tuesdays, 10 am **VMC Mondays, 2 pm***
KL Thursdays, 10 am **VV Mondays, 10 am***
MA Wednesdays, 10 am *No program May 22

中文故事会 / Mandarin Storytime

歡迎大家來圖書館一起聽中文故事。

Join us for fun songs and joyful rhymes in Mandarin and English! Suitable for the whole family. No previous knowledge of Mandarin required.

CCRL Tuesdays, May 2 & June 6, 10 am

Рассказы на русском языке / Russian Storytime

Для вас и ваших детей. Сказки, рассказы, песни на русском языке. Читаем вместе. Учим вместе. Говорим вместе. Свободное знание языка не требуется.

Join us for fun stories, songs and rhymes in Russian that you can enjoy with your whole family. Fluency in Russian is not required, all are welcome.

BCRL Mondays, May 29 & June 26, 10 am

Hora de cuentos / Spanish Storytime

Acompáñanos a disfrutar de historias, canciones y juegos en Español y Inglés que son divertidos para toda la familia.

Join us for stories, songs and fingerplays in Spanish and English that are fun for the whole family.

VV Tuesdays, May 9 & June 13, 10 am

Families & Children



Chess Club

Drop in and test your strategies, learn some new skills, or battle it out with our talented Chess in the Library student volunteers. Beginners and pros are welcome!

DC Tuesdays, May 2 – June 27, 6:30 pm

MA Thursdays, May 4 – June 15, 6:30 pm

VV Saturdays, May 6 – June 24, 1 pm

Citizen Science: All About Bats 🦇

Learn about bats and participate in bat counting. Then venture outside as citizen scientists to listen to bats through a special bat detector! In partnership with TRCA.

PBRL Wednesday, June 14, 6:30 pm

Citizen Science: Explore Your Trail 🌳

Join us for an outdoor adventure as we travel local trails, exploring the plants and animals in our community with a high-tech twist. For all ages.

Mackenzie Glen District Park

Saturday, June 10, 10 am

Epic LEGO® Build

Bring your LEGO® building skills to our EPIC build afternoon! Have fun creating the LEGO® structure of your dreams! Creations will be showcased in the library!

KL Sunday, June 4, 2 pm

MA Tuesday, June 20, 6 pm

Family Movies

Bring your family and watch fun feature films on the big screen.

AN Saturdays, May 6 & June 3, 2 pm

WO Saturdays, May 13 & June 10, 1:30 pm

Family Adventure: Create & Innovate

Learn about Canadian artist Tom Thomson in a collage landscape workshop with McMichael Canadian Art Collection. Get creative with fun STEAM activities. What will you make?

AN Saturday, May 13, 2 pm

Fay & Fluffy's Storytime

VPL is proud to present Drag Queen Storytime! Families are invited to join guests Fay & Fluffy for a Pride celebration!

CCRL Saturday, June 3, 10:30 am

Hooked on Books

Do you love books? Join us for fun book-related activities, challenges, discussions and games. Tell us about your favourites and maybe write and illustrate some stories too! For grades 1–6.

MA Tuesdays, May 9, 23 & June 6, 6 pm

Kids' Book Club

Get the book, read the book, and then come and tell us what you thought of it while enjoying activities and games based on the story! For grades 3–7.

CCRL Mondays, May 15 & June 19, 6 pm

May | *The Brilliant World of Tom Gates* by Liz Pichon

June | *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl

PBRL Thursday, May 18, 7 pm

May | *Ghosts* by Raina Telgemeier

VV Mondays, May 1 & June 5, 7 pm

May | *El Deafo* by Cece Bell

June | *Matilda* by Roald Dahl

Minecrafters Club

Mine with friends, craft your worlds, and challenge yourself to a whole new level of building at the library! Master builders or beginners, all are welcome.

VV Thursdays, May 11–June 15, 6:30 pm

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May the 4th Be With You

Find your Star Wars name, visit a planet far, far away, do a scavenger hunt, and lots more galactic fun! Costumes encouraged!

KL Sunday, May 7, 2 pm

MA Saturday, May 6, 2 pm

VV Thursday, May 4, 6:30 pm

Pokémon League

Whether you own Pokémon Cards, love Pokémon or just want something fun to do, join us for a huge range of Pokémon activities at the library! All ages are welcome.

BCRL Saturdays, May 20 & June 17, 2 pm

WO Saturdays, May 20 & June 17, 2 pm

Puppet Show Fun

To celebrate Italian Heritage Month, please join us for an Italian-English puppet show!

Per celebrare il mese del patrimonio culturale Italiano, unisciti a noi per uno spettacolo di burattini in Italiano e Inglese!

WO Thursday, June 1, 6:30 pm

Puppet Show with Applefun Puppetry

Enjoy some family-friendly entertainment with a whimsical puppet show performed by Mike Harding from Applefun Puppetry. For grades JK–4.

BCRL | Little Red Rocket Ship

Sunday, June 25, 3:30 pm

CCRL | Robin Hood and the Dragon

Sunday, June 25, 10 am

PBRL | The Purple Pirate

Sunday, June 25, 12:30 pm

Sensory Friendly Hour

Drop by for some fun hands-on sensory activities that are easy on the eyes and ears. For grades JK–6.

BCRL Fridays, May 12 & June 9, 3:30 pm

Sensory Storytime

Join a small group for a storytime in a quieter, sensory-friendly environment. For preschool–grade 3 and their families.

PBRL Sundays, May 28 & June 25, 10 am

Touch a Truck

See, touch and explore big trucks at the library. Meet the people who protect, serve and build our community.

PL Friday, June 2, 10 am

Sing and Sign

Songs and games for everyday routines will be used to introduce American Sign Language to hearing infants in support of their language development. In partnership with Early ON. See website for details.

DC Fridays, May 26 – June 16, 10:30 am

Things that Go!

Why do cars and trucks go? How does a plane fly? What makes a boat stay afloat? Explore the science behind things that go! Fun for the whole family.

All VPL Locations Friday, June 2, 10 am–4 pm

Video Game Day

Drop in and join us for some fun video games and try some new challenges! For grades 3+.

BCRL Saturday, June 3, 10 am–4 pm



Check out page 6 for our family-friendly, **Passport to Vaughan** programs.



FRENCH PROGRAMS

Plaisir de lire / Fun With French

Rejoignez-nous pour des activités et de la lecture, animées par des bénévoles francophones de notre communauté. Pour les enfants de la 2e à la 6e année.

Parlez vous français? Join us for activities and reading practice, led by French speaking volunteers from our community. For grades 2–6.

BCRL Thursdays, 7 pm

CCRL Wednesdays, May 3–June 21, 7 pm

WO Mondays, May 8–June 19, 7 pm

No Program May 22

Club de lecture / Kids' French Book Club

A chaque mois, lis quelque chose de nouveau en français et viens nous en parler. Activités et jeux après la discussion! Pour les enfants de la 2e à la 6e année. Inscription sur Eventbrite.

Every month, read something new in French and come join us to share your ideas! Activities and games will follow the discussion. For grades 2–6.

CCRL Tuesdays, May 9 & June 13, 7 pm

NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK

May 1st–7th

Join us for FREE, fun, and
interactive activities & events!

Teen Virtual Reality Club

Want to use lightsabers, golf clubs, scuba gear and more? Experience fun games and programs with our Virtual Reality headsets. For grades 8–12.

BCRL PBRL Monday, May 1, 3 pm

Youth Gallery Launch

Get inspired with a visit to our first ever Youth Art Gallery. Enjoy guided tours, live music, and art creation stations!

PBRL Tuesday, May 2, 6 pm

Table Top for Teens

Explore the world of table top board games and card games at the library. Bring your own games or choose from our selection.

AN Thursday, May 4, 3 pm

MA Wednesday, May 3, 3 pm

PL Tuesday, May 2, 6 pm

Air Fryer Snacks

Got the munchies? Let's whip up some quick, easy, flavourful snacks in the air fryer using ingredients you likely already have at home! For grades 8–12.

VMC Wednesday, May 3, 6:30 pm

Discover Dungeons & Dragons

Calling any new and experienced adventurers to join our D&D activities evening: paint figurines, create characters, design environments, play out monster encounters, and more!

DC Thursday, May 4, 6 pm

Marvel Movie Marathon

Join Groot and friends as they protect the galaxy in the first two *Guardians of the Galaxy* films. The best way to gear up for the release of Volume 3!

DC Friday, May 5, 1 pm

Henna Design for Youth

Come and try your hand with Henna Art with local artist Sana Riyazali! Learn some basic designs and hear Sana's stories and experiences. For grades 8–12.

CCRL Saturday, May 6, 2 pm

Be a Video Game Designer!

Love video games? Thinking of a career in video game design? Learn from game design experts and make your own game with special effects!

For grades 8–12.

CCRL Sunday, May 7, 1 pm

Social Media Competition

TikTok BookTok Challenge

Do you have what it takes to go viral? Post your BookTok, use hashtag **#VPLBookTokChallenge**, and tag us **@vaughanpubliclibraries**. Contest open **May 1–7**. Top 3 most 'liked' videos win **PRIZES!**

Teen



Babysitting Course with Heart2Heart ☺

Learn important skills for becoming a top-notch babysitter in this one-day course. For ages 11–15. Registration is \$70.

AN Saturday, May 20, 9:30 am–5pm

DC Sunday, June 11, 9:30 am–5pm

D&D Club

Game on! Join in on the action and adventure as we campaign our way through the world of Dungeons and Dragons.

No previous gaming experience required. For grades 6–12.

PBRL Saturday, May 20 & June 17, 2 pm

PL Tuesdays, May 23 – August 15, 6 pm

Debate Club ☺

Improve your critical thinking and public speaking skills!

A variety of debate formats will be used to explore current events and philosophical questions. For grades 6–12.

PBRL Tuesdays, May 30 – June 27, 7 pm

High School Study Hall

Need a place to study for exams? VPL's study hall is open late for high school students who want to study alone or in small groups. Valid High School identification is needed for entry.

BCRL June 19 – 26

Monday–Thursday 9–11 pm **Friday** 6–9 pm

Saturday & Sunday 5–9 pm

STEAM for Pride Month

Celebrate Pride Month by making pride gear and décor using our Creation Space equipment. For grades 7–12.

BCRL CCRL PBRL Thursday, June 1, 3:30 pm

Study & Chill

Switch up your study environment and enjoy relaxing vibes at the library. Meet up with friends and enjoy a refreshing beverage (on us)! For grades 9–12.

AN Wed, Jun 14, 3 pm

PBRL Wed, Jun 21, 6 pm

BCRL Wed, Jun 21, 7 pm

PL Wed, Jun 21, 3 pm

CCRL Wed, Jun 21, 3:30 pm

VV Mon, Jun 19, 3 pm

MA Wed, Jun 21, 7 pm

Table Top for Teens: Honey Heist

Explore the world of table top board games and card games at the library. Bring your own games or choose from our selection.

BCRL Wednesday, May 31, 4 pm

Teen Book Club ☺

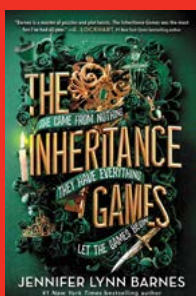
We'll pick an exciting, hot new read each month. Get a copy, read it, and then come tell us what you think! For grades 8–12. Join us in-person or on Zoom.

May | *All American Boys* by Jason Reynolds & Brendan Kiely

June | *Symptoms of Being Human* by Jeff Garvin

BCRL Thursdays, May 18 & June 15, 7:30 pm

☺ Please pre-register at vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com



The Inheritance Games
by Jennifer Lynn Barnes

Book



Iron Widow
by Xiran Jay Zhao

Book



Union
by Sara Cassidy

Book

Adult



Ancestral Voices

Meet and learn from established and emerging artists and authors who represent diverse Indigenous, Caribbean, African and Black communities. Discover their shared histories, their unique lived experiences, and the past, present, and future of own-voices storytelling in this conversation series.

May | Author Shani Mootoo & Poet Pamela Mordecai

June | Playwright Drew Hayden Taylor

ZOOM Wednesdays, May 10 & June 14, 7 pm

Apprenticeship Opportunities

Do you know how skilled trade apprenticeship works? Find out if you qualify and how to apply. In partnership with Thornhill Employment Hub.

ZOOM Monday, June 12, 7 pm

Backyard Birds

Learn about common nesting, wintering, and migratory birds in the GTA, and how to attract, feed and observe them throughout the seasons!

ZOOM Tuesday, June 20, 7 pm

中文社交活动 / Chinese Social Hour

用中文聊天, 谈论书籍, 国家时事, 以及在加拿大的生活。Chat in Chinese about books, current events and life in Canada. Call or visit the Service Desk for more details.

PL Tuesdays, May 9 & June 13, 10:30 am

Conversations on Social Inclusion: Deaf Culture

A conversation on the cultural citizenship of deaf people with an emphasis on equity practices. Presented by Ontario Cultural Society of the Deaf.

ZOOM Tuesdays, May 30, 7 pm

Diabetes Resources


Join Vaughan Community Health Centre's dietician and nurse as they discuss diabetes prevention, managing your diabetes, and healthy eating!

ZOOM Tuesday, May 2, 6:30 pm

Doing Business with the Government

Learn how to sell goods and services to the federal and municipal governments. In partnership with Procurement Assistance Canada and the City of Vaughan.

ZOOM Thursday, June 1, 7 pm

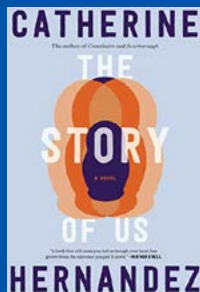
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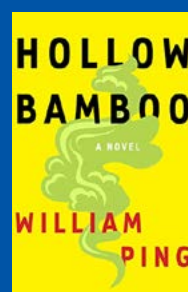
Hold My Girl
by Charlene Carr

Book



The Story of Us
by Catherine Hernandez

Book



Hollow Bamboo
by William Ping

Book

Eating Disorders

Do you suspect your child may have an eating disorder? Join Dr. McSheffrey from Boomerang Health powered by SickKids for a discussion.

ZOOM Monday, May 8, 7 pm

Fraud & ID Theft

Learn about types of ID fraud, how identities are stolen, how to protect yourself, and what to do if you are a victim. Presented by the Ontario Securities Commission. Join in person or on Zoom.

PBRL Wednesday, May 17, 2 pm

IELTS Discussion Group

Are you studying for your IELTS test? Let's study together! Discuss your questions and strategies with other students at the library.

CCRL Thursdays, May 18 & June 15, 2 pm

Let's Go to the Movies

Enjoy a variety of interesting contemporary films with other movie enthusiasts.

AN Saturdays, May 27 & June 17, 2 pm

DC Mondays, 1:30 pm **No program May 22*

WO Mondays, May 8 & June 12, 2 pm

Let's Go to the (French) Movies

De superbes films en français avec sous-titres anglais pour le plaisir de tous.

Great French movies with English subtitles for all to enjoy.

DC Sundays, May 7 & June 4, 1:30 pm

Nature In Your Neighbourhood

How well do you know wildlife? Learn about the unique traits of local wildlife through a variety of interactive activities. In partnership with TRCA.

ZOOM Thursday, June 8, 2 pm

Nature Talks

Nature Talks will bring together lovers of nature and advocates of environmental sustainability as we hear from gardeners, scientists and environmentalists.

Attend in person or on Zoom.

WO Mondays, May 1 & June 5, 7 pm

ESL & Newcomers

In partnership with CCSYR through Library Settlement Partnerships (LSP) in York Region. For registration and information, please contact LSP at **LSP@ccyr.org** or call/text **647.212.6162**.

Cross-Cultural Cooking for Newcomers

Explore the world through food and make a new recipe together every month! Families welcome. Registration at sliu@tccsa.org or call 905.948.1671.

Topic | Hawaiian Pizza

VMC Saturday, June 10, 10:30 am

ESL Café

Newcomers and ESL learners can practice their English in an informal environment with adult volunteers.

DC Mondays, May 8 & June 12, 7 pm

ZOOM Tuesdays, May 9, 23, June 6 & 20, 1:30 pm

Tenant & Landlord Information for Newcomers

This presentation by the TCCSA will cover topics including: tenancy agreement and rules, maintenance, tenant's privacy, ending a tenancy, legal remedies to resolve conflicts. Attend in person or over Zoom.

BCRL Tuesday, May 16, 6:30 pm

Settlement Support Group for Chinese Speaking Newcomers

每月以不同活动主题，利用小组互动及图书馆设施，帮助新移民朋友了解各类服务信息，分享喜怒哀乐，维持健康生活，融入新家园。可提供国语及粤语服务。Monthly meetings to share settlement experiences, learn about community resources and services, and get to know the community.

PL Tuesdays, May 23 & June 27, 10 am

Virtual ESL Book Club

Good news for ESL learners— we offer fun and lively book discussions to build your confidence in speaking English!

ZOOM Thursdays, May 11 & June 8, 7 pm

Adult (cont.)

Passport to Vaughan: Hindi Kavi Sammelan

Join us for free poetry readings in Hindi by local and global poets and writers and learn about this tradition. In partnership with Hindi Chetna.

DC Saturday, May 20, 1:30 pm

Repair Café

A Repair Café brings together people with items to repair and volunteer fixers with skills and tools to share. Presented in collaboration with the Regional Municipality of York and NewMakelt. Register for a timeslot on Eventbrite.

BCRL Sunday, May 7, 11 am

Schizophrenia & Psychosis Awareness

Psychiatrist and filmmaker Dr. Rosenberg will discuss his film *Bedlam*, bringing awareness and discussion to an often-misunderstood condition. The film screening is available to participants from May 22–24.

ZOOM Tuesday, May 23, 7 pm

Starter Company Plus Info Session

Learn about the City of Vaughan's Starter Company Plus program which offers business plan and budget training with an opportunity to apply for a provincial grant of up to \$5000.

VMC Tuesday, May 30, 7 pm

 Please pre-register at vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com

Successful Job Search Strategies Workshops

Learn how to navigate the job market, resume and cover letter tips, effective networking, self-marketing 101 and essential interview skills.

ZOOM Wednesdays, May 3 & June 7, 2 pm

The Unimaginable Journey of Peter Ertel

Join us for a showing of this award-winning documentary film, followed by a live Q&A with the director, Joe Cahn.

DC Sunday, May 28, 1 pm

Thyroid Disease

Advocate and author Dana Trentini, the "Hypothyroid Mom," explores thyroid disease and the adjustments you can make to your daily routines.

ZOOM Tuesday, June 6, 7 pm

Cercle de discussion

/ Virtual French Meetup for Adults  

Venez pratiquer votre français en bonne compagnie! À travers ce programme de huit semaines, vous apprendrez du français intéressant en plus de pratiquer avec les autres participants. Le programme est en direct sur Zoom. Inscrivez-vous sur Eventbrite.

Practice your French in good company! Through this eight-week program, you will learn useful and exciting French as well as practice with other learners.

ZOOM Wednesdays, May 3–June 21, 7 pm

LIBRARY SERVICES

Health 1-on-1

Sign up for a personal session with our Health Literacies Specialist to help you find information and resources to make informed health decisions.

ZOOM Mondays, May 1 & June 5
Tuesdays, May 9 & June 20
By Appointment

Play VR with Family & Friends!

Play VR with Family & Friends! Curious about Virtual Reality? Invite your friends and join us for a guided VR session with Oculus Quest. Up to six players at a time.

PBRL Mondays, 5 pm
Thursdays, 5 pm

Tech Tutor 1-on-1

Drop in and get hands-on assistance from volunteers for some basic technology questions such as navigating the internet, using your tablet or sending emails.

BCRL Wednesdays, 6 pm
CCRL Wednesdays, 6 pm
PBRL Thursdays, 5 pm
PL Mondays, 6 pm

ADULT BOOK CLUBS

Biographies & Memoirs Book Club

Walk a mile in someone else's shoes as we read and discuss various biographies and memoirs.

Title | *No Time Like the Future: An Optimist Considers Mortality* by Michael J. Fox

PBRL Wednesday, May 17, 7 pm*

Cookbook Book Club

Level up your cooking chops, bake up a storm and connect with others over the kitchen table! Join us to discuss different cookbook themes.

Theme | *The Blue Zones Diet: Simple & Nutritious Blue-Zone Inspired Recipes*

VMC Monday, May 29, 7 pm

Great Novels Book Club

Join us as we read and discuss novels that explore our humanity and touch our souls. Join us in person or on Zoom!

Title | *Olga Dies Dreaming* by Xochitl Gonzalez

BCRL Wednesday, June 7, 7 pm*

Non-Fiction Book Club

We'll explore a variety of popular non-fiction titles, from current affairs to cutting-edge science, as well as true stories. Join us in person or on Zoom!

Title | *Stolen Focus: Why You Can't Pay Attention—and How to Think Deeply Again* by Johann Hari

CCRL Tuesday, June 6, 7 pm*

Romance Book Club

Want to talk about books that make you sigh and swoon, and always have a happily-ever-after? Join our Romance Book Club in person or on Zoom!

May | *Hana Khan Carries On* by Uzma Jalaluddin

June | *Before I Let Go* by Kennedy Ryan

CCRL Mondays, May 8 & June 12, 7 pm*

Sci-Fi Book Club

From discovering far away galaxies to alternate universes, join us to discuss a different Sci-Fi book each month, either in person or on Zoom!

May | *Children of Time* by Adrian Tchaikovsky

June | *The Forever War* by Joe Haldeman

PBRL Mondays, May 15 & June 19, 7 pm*

*Attend in person or on Zoom

 Please pre-register at vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com



Culinary Literacy



Air Fryer Snacks

Got the munchies? Let's whip up some quick, easy, flavourful snacks in the air fryer using ingredients you likely already have at home! For grades 8–12.

VMC Wednesday, May 3, 6:30 pm

All About Coffee Series

Coffee-curious? This series will explore many different aspects of coffee brewing, culture, and more! Presented by De Mello Coffee Roasters. Registration is \$10 per session.

Topic | French Press

CCRL Monday, June 5, 7 pm

Beets Me!

Pickled, roasted, steamed and more—how much do you know about beets? Let's grow our own and learn some fun facts about this root veggie! For grades 1–7.

CCRL Thursday, May 25, 6:30 pm

Cake Club

Mmm, cake! Let's delve into deliciousness and bake a different type of cake each month! Registration is \$7 per session.

May | Mother's Day edition

**Children accompanied by adults welcome*

June | Paris-Brest

VMC Sundays, May 14 & June 11, 1 pm

Cooking with Aromatics

Did you know aromatics can take you halfway to cooking up a delicious meal? Explore mirepoix, the Cajun holy trinity, and more! Registration is \$15 for all 3 sessions.

VMC Wednesdays, May 10 – May 24, 6:45 pm

 Please pre-register at vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com

Cross-Cultural Cooking for Newcomers

Explore the world through food and make a new recipe together every month! Families welcome. In partnership with TCCSA. Register at sliu@tccsa.org or call 905-948-1671.

Topic | Hawaiian Pizza

VMC Saturday, June 10, 10:30 am

Energy Balls from Scratch

Learn block coding with Scratch and use what you've learned to make your own delicious no-bake energy balls from scratch! For grades 3–8.

BCRL Monday, June 26, 6:30 pm

Make Your Own Smoothie!

Smoothies are a great breakfast or snack, so let's learn how to make our very own unique flavour combinations! For grades 4–7. Registration is \$5.

VMC Saturday, May 13, 10:45 am

Sourdough: From Starter to Loaf

Make a sourdough starter and learn how to bake up your own fresh loaves of bread at home in this two-part program! Registration is \$5.

VMC Mondays, June 12, 7 pm & June 19, 6:30 pm

Veg Out!: Vegetable-Forward Cooking

Interested in making more vegetable-forward dishes? Let's explore together! Families welcome. Registration is \$28 for all 4 sessions.

VMC Wednesdays, June 14 – July 5, 6:30 pm

Our kitchen programs are held in the VSES Teaching Kitchen located on the third floor above VMC Library.



Discover Somewhere New

Kleinburg Library

10341 Islington Avenue North, Kleinburg

Kleinburg Library is within walking distance of restaurants, shops, art galleries, picturesque trails and relaxing outdoor spaces. The library provides residents of Kleinburg access to VPL's resources, programming, services and materials. A perfect social space for enjoying the warmer weather is the Reading Garden on the south side of the library which adds to the charm of the community.



"Kleinburg is a delightfully cozy library. It's a great place to study and our staff have the pleasure of getting to know everyone."

— Lonnie Freedman, Kleinburg Library Manager

FUN FACTS

Kleinburg Library celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2016.



Construction was partially funded by the federal and provincial governments as part of a Centennial project to celebrate Canada's 100th anniversary of Confederation.



Kleinburg Library is actually haunted... Just kidding!



Special Features

1 Intimate library community **2** Take your reading out to the Reading Garden for some fresh air and sun **3** The Program/Meeting Room in the basement can seat up to 50 people **4** Great place for quiet study

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Upcoming Holiday Closures

Monday, May 22	Victoria Day	CLOSED
Saturday, July 1	Canada Day	CLOSED
Monday, August 7	Civic Holiday	CLOSED

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Weekly emails about what's happening at the library.
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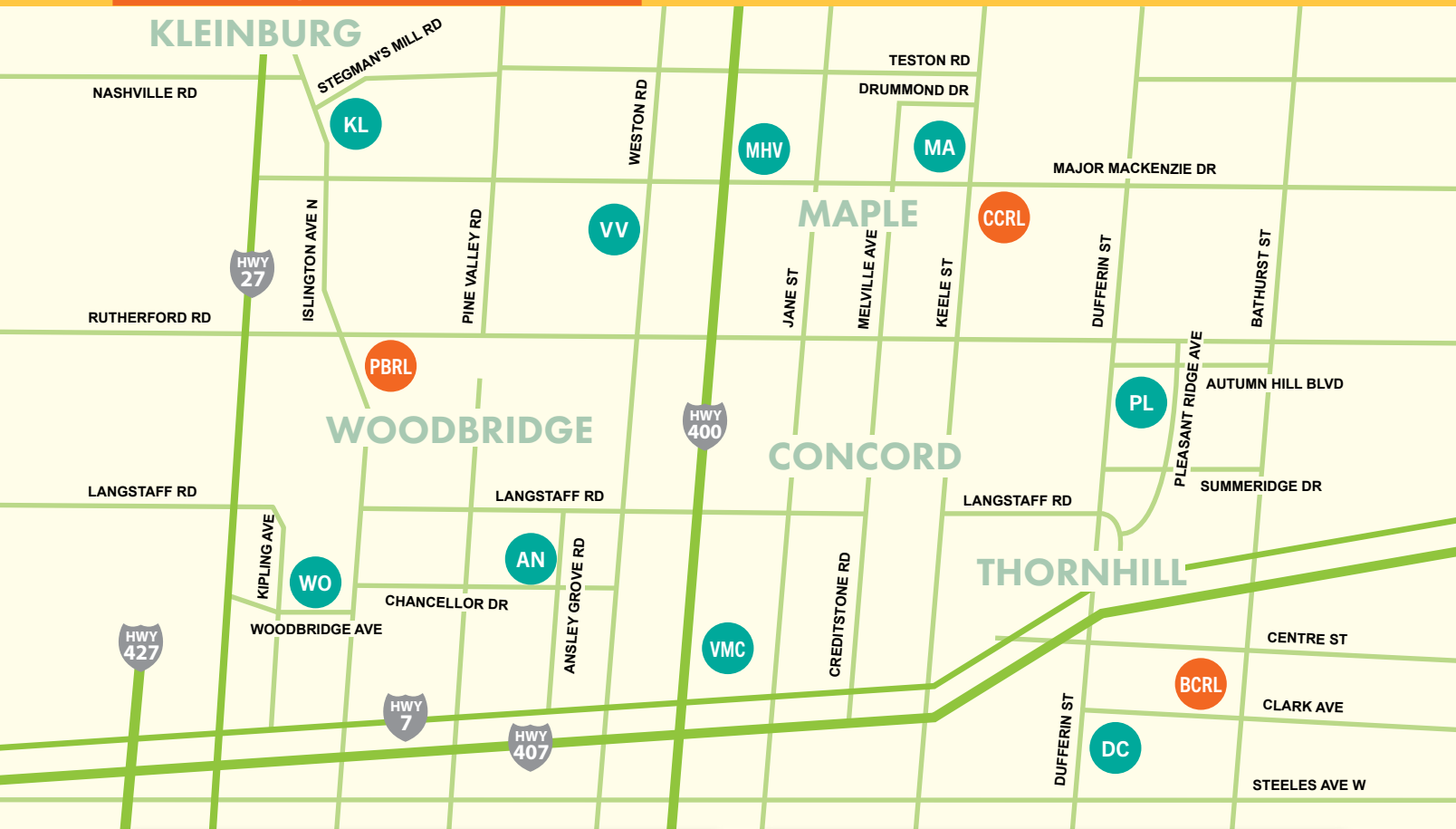
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Library Locations

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RESOURCE LIBRARIES

- BCRL BATHURST CLARK RESOURCE LIBRARY**
900 Clark Avenue West, Thornhill L4J 8C1
- CCRL CIVIC CENTRE RESOURCE LIBRARY**
2191 Major Mackenzie Drive, Vaughan L6A 4W2
- PBRL PIERRE BERTON RESOURCE LIBRARY**
4921 Rutherford Road, Woodbridge L4L 1A6
Mon–Thurs 9am–9pm; Fri 9am–6pm;
Sat & Sun 9am–5pm

- KL KLEINBURG LIBRARY**
10341 Islington Avenue North, Kleinburg L0J 1C0
Mon & Wed 1–9pm; Tue, Thur & Sat
9am–5pm; Fri & Sun 1–5pm

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Sat & Sun 9am–5pm



Family Adventure

Create & Innovate

Learn about Canadian artist Tom Thomson
in a collage landscape workshop with McMichael
Canadian Art Collection. Get creative with fun
STEAM activities. What will you make?

Ansley Grove Library | Saturday, May 13, 2 pm



THE UNIMAGINABLE JOURNEY OF PETER ERTEL

Join us for a showing of this award-winning documentary
film, followed by a live Q&A with the director, Joe Cahn.

Dufferin Clark Library | Sunday, May 28, 1 pm

 Register on Eventbrite

CONVERSATIONS ON SOCIAL INCLUSION

Deaf Culture

A conversation on the cultural citizenship of deaf
people with an emphasis on equity practices.
Presented by Ontario Cultural Society of the Deaf.

ZOOM | Tuesday, May 30, 7 pm

 Register on Eventbrite



Touch a Truck

See, touch and explore big trucks at the library.
Meet the people who protect, serve and
build our community.

Pleasant Ridge Library | Friday, June 2, 10 am

