

WHAT'S ON



What's cooking in the **VSES**
Teaching Kitchen?

Welcome



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With the end of the year in sight, it's a time to reflect on what we have achieved and what we have left to do. The numbers tell a story. By the end of the year, our popular Welcome Baby kits will have been delivered to 3,600 newborns and their families, encouraging the first steps in childhood literacy. We have also placed a larger focus on adults, introducing a number of popular programs such as Kitchen Traditions and AI Tools for Small Business. We will deliver almost 3,300 programs this year including ongoing series like book clubs or storytimes and standalone events with guest speakers.

Our collections team will process over 45,000 new items to add to our shelves. These include bestselling novels, blockbuster movies, new video game releases, household tools and appliances, board games and so much more. Our libraries will be open for a combined total of over 44,000 hours and visited by more than one million! For citizens pressed for time, you can find a virtual library on your phone, tablet or computer, and be one of over two million who access us through our website annually.

Yet numbers don't reflect all the accomplishments of our innovative, risk-taking staff and the projects they have undertaken to foster stronger bonds in the community and promote a lifelong love of learning and creativity. My huge thanks to them for their continued excellence and tremendous commitment to the citizens of Vaughan. From everyone at Vaughan Public Libraries, thank you for being part of an incredible year. We wish you all the best for 2024!

Margie

Featured Services



INTRODUCING COOKING CONNECTIONS

Build a stronger team with hands-on sessions in our gourmet teaching kitchen! Bring up to 20 people and choose from options like making sushi, pleating dumplings and baking a host of cookies! For booking and workshop info, please e-mail librarian.librarian@vaughan.ca with the subject line "Cooking Connections."



BOOKS FROM A VENDING MACHINE?

You read it right. West Woodbridge will be getting a library in the future, and to give you a taste of what's to come, a book vending machine will be installed at Father Ermanno Bulfon Community Centre in November. Scan your library card and borrow the items you want. It's that simple!



FEEDING OUR COMMUNITY

From December 1 – 16 we will be collecting non-perishable food donations at all VPL locations in support of Vaughan Food Bank, Humanity First and Chasdei Kaduri. Show your support and make a difference in our community.

VAUGHAN 2023 FANFEST

CELEBRATE
ALL THINGS
FANDOM!

**SAT
NOV 4**

CARTOONIST
**SCOTT CHANTLER
& GAMING**

*Civic Centre Resource Library
1-4pm*

**SUN
NOV 5**

ANIME & MANGA

*Dufferin Clark Library
10am-12pm*

SUPERHEROES & COMICS

*Ansley Grove Library
2-4pm*

**FUN FOR
ALL AGES!**

**COSPLAYS
WELCOME!**



SCOTT CHANTLER
CARTOONIST



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 programs Dec 23–Jan 5

Baby Signs in French

Sign Language can help babies to communicate earlier and with less frustration. We welcome French-speaking and non-French speaking families to this engaging session with Petite Main!

PBRL Tuesday, Nov 21, 10 am

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!

BCRL Thursday, Nov 23, 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.

BCRL Mondays, Nov 13 & Dec 11, 10 am

CCRL Saturdays, Nov 4 & Dec 2, 10 am

PBRL Thursdays, Nov 9 & Dec 14, 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 Wednesdays, Nov 22 & Dec 13, 5:30 pm



Sometimes I Feel Like a River

by Danielle Daniel

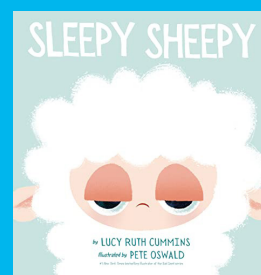
Book



Once, a Bird

by Rina Singh

eBook



Sleepy Sheepy

by Lucy Ruth Cummins

Book

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.

Father E. Bulfon Community Centre

Thursdays, Nov 2 – Dec 21, 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, Nov 8 & Dec 13, 10 am

Little Explorers Storytime

Discover engaging songs, action rhymes, and early literacy activities tailored 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 Saturdays, 2 pm

KL Thursdays, 10 am VV Mondays, 10 am

MA Wednesdays, 10 am

**No programs Dec 23–Jan 5*

Little Kitchen Time

Enjoy food and cooking-themed stories and songs in our play kitchen! Then test your culinary skills—counting, measuring, recognizing ingredients at food-inspired activity stations. For preschool – SK.

VMC Thursdays, Nov 9, 23, Dec 7 & 21, 4 pm

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, Nov 7 & Dec 5, 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, Nov 27 & Dec 18, 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, Nov 14, 28 & Dec 12, 10 am

STEAM Storytime

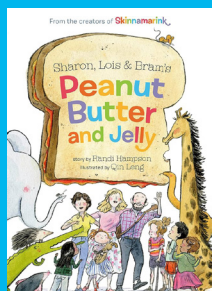
Investigate early Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics concepts through songs, stories, and interactive play. For ages 3–5.

VV Sunday, Dec 10, 10:30 am

Zumbini

A unique, fun program incorporating music and movement to encourage parent-child bonding while helping to develop early literacy, motor and social skills. Offered in partnership with EarlyON. See website for registration details.

DC Fridays, Nov 3–24, 10:30 am



**Sharon, Lois and Bram's
Peanut Butter and Jelly**
by Randi Hampson
eBook



Give Me a Snickle!
by Alisha Seigny
eBook



Windy Days
by Deborah Kerbel
Book

Families & Children



Celebrate Diwali!

Join us in the fun and celebrate the Festival of Lights with stories, songs and activities.

VV Sunday, Nov 12, 10:30 am

Celebrate Hanukkah!

Join us for an evening to celebrate Hannukah! With a special Storytime with UJA Federation of Greater Toronto, followed by activities and a musical performance.

BCRL Wednesday, Dec 13, 5:30 pm

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, Nov 7 - Dec 19, 6:30 pm

MA Thursdays, Nov 2 - Dec 21, 6:30 pm

VV Saturdays, Nov 4 - Dec 16, 1 pm

Christmas Cheer with Santa

Delight in the magic of the Christmas with Santa! Enjoy stories, songs and festive activities.

CCRL Saturday, Dec 9, 10 am

MA Wednesday, Dec 20, 10 am

PBRL Wednesday, Dec 6, 10 am

VMC Saturday, Dec 16, 2 pm

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!

BCRL Saturday, Nov 11, 2 pm

DC Saturday, Nov 18, 2 pm

PL Sunday, Dec 17, 2 pm

Family Adventure: A Circus Extravaganza

The circus is coming to VPL! Enjoy an exciting juggling show with Johnny Toronto and get in the act with many other fun circus activities!

PBRL Saturday, Nov 25, 10:30 am–12:30pm

Family Movies

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

AN Saturdays, Nov 4 & Dec 2, 2 pm

WO Saturdays, Nov 25 & Dec 9, 2 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, Nov 20 & Dec 18, 6 pm

Nov | *A Comb of Wishes* by Lisa Stringfellow

Dec | *Class Act* by Jerry Craft

PBRL Thursday, Nov 16, 7 pm

Nov | *Pashmina* by Nidhi Chanani

VV Mondays, Nov 6 & Dec 4, 7 pm

Nov | *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle

Dec | *Melonhead* by Katy Kelly

CHINESE LANGUAGES IN CANADA: AN EXHIBIT

Pleasant Ridge Library | November 1 – 28

Laugh & Learn with Barbie

Bring your Barbie and participate in fun STEAM activities, explore our technology, and discover Barbie's many careers. For grades K–3. Wearing pink is strongly encouraged!

DC Saturday, Nov 25, 2 pm

MA Sunday, Nov 19, 1 pm

PBRL Saturday, Dec 9, 2 pm

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.

MHV Saturdays, Nov 4 – Nov 25, 2 pm

Paper Engineering: Pop-Up Books

Join us for a hands-on activity to engineer pop-up designs from paper! Make a 3D card or small book for someone special! For grades 3–6.

DC Saturday, Dec 16, 2 pm

MHV Sunday, Nov 12, 2 pm

Passport to Vaughan: Learning Pictograph Chinese Characters

Learn to write simple pictograph Chinese characters and use them to enjoy fun activities like making a decorated paper fan and creating wishing tree tags.

PL Saturday, Nov 18, 10:30 am

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, Nov 4 & Dec 2, 2 pm

WO Saturdays, Nov 18 & Dec 16, 2 pm

Puppet Show Fun

The whole family can laugh, listen and enjoy a lively, fun and amusing puppet show, led by VPL staff!

VMC Saturday, Dec 9, 2 pm

Sensory Storytime

Join a small group for a storytime in a quieter, sensory-friendly environment. For preschool – grade 6 and their families.

PBRL Sundays, Nov 12 & Dec 10, 11 am



FRENCH PROGRAMS

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 Thursdays, Nov 9 & Dec 14, 7 pm

Lampe à Lave / Lava Lamp Bilingual Workshop

Durant cet atelier bilingue, vous allez découvrir comment fabriquer une lampe à lave et ainsi explorer la densité de différents liquides. Pour les enfants de la 3e à la 6e année. 5\$ par participant. Inscription sur Eventbrite.

During this bilingual workshop, you will find out how to make a lava lamp and learn about liquid densities. For grades 3–6. Registration is \$5.

BCRL Sunday, Dec 10, 2 pm

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, Nov 2 – Dec 14, 7 pm

CCRL Wednesdays, Nov 1 – Dec 13, 7 pm

PBRL Mondays, Nov 6 – Dec 11, 7 pm

 Please pre-register at vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com

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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.

CCRL Saturday, Nov 18, 9:30 am

S'échapper du biblio-labyrinthe

/Bilingual *Escape the Library Labyrinth* ☺ 

Soit le premier à t'échapper du biblio-labyrinthe, un monde plein de mystère et d'émerveillement, pour la chance de gagner le trophée des vainqueurs! Jeu d'évasion, amuse-gueules et autres jeux bilingues. Pour les enfants de la 7e à la 12e année.

Escape from the library labyrinth, a world of wonder and mystery, as you race to win the ultimate trophy! Bilingual escape room fun, snacks and games. For grades 7-12.

PBRL Friday, Nov 17, 7 pm

Chess Club for Teens

Drop in and test your strategies, learn some new skills, or battle it out with other players. Beginners and pros are welcome!

PBRL Wednesdays, Nov 15 – Dec 13, 3 pm

Creative Writing Power Hour ☺

Grab your pens and get ready to write for the month of November! Join us for an hour or so of writing prompts, sprints & sharing.

BCRL Wednesdays, Nov 1 – Nov 22, 5 pm

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 Saturdays, Nov 4 & 18, Dec 2 & 16, 2 pm

PL Tuesdays, Nov 7 – Dec 12, 6 pm

Debate Club ☺

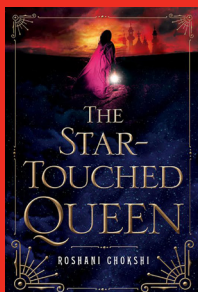
Improve your critical thinking and public speaking skills! A variety of debate formats will be used to explore current events and philosophical questions. For grades 6–12.

CCRL Thursdays, Nov 16 - Dec 7, 7 pm

Escape the Library: 3D Printed Edition ☺

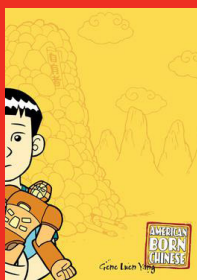
The clock is ticking. Test your wits by solving puzzles and clues to make your escape from the library. For grades 6–12.

CCRL Thursday, Nov 14, 7 pm



The Star-touched Queen
by Roshani Chokshi

Book



American Born Chinese
by Gene Luen Yang

Book



Gay Club!
by Simon James Green

Book

Makers with a Cause: The Canadian Library

Adults and teens will work together to build a library art installation of books wrapped in Indigenous fabric. This memorial to Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls contributes to The Canadian Library project.

PBRL Wednesdays, Nov 29 – Dec 6, 7 pm

Remembrance with the Memory Project

Join our presenter from the Memory Project as they share their story of military service with the Canadian Armed Forces. For grades 9+. Guest: Major (retired) Paul Hale, CD

PBRL Tuesday, Nov 7, 1:30 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.

DC Fridays, Nov 3 – Dec 22, 3:30 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.

BCRL Thursdays, Nov 16 & Dec 14, 7:30 pm

Nov | *These Deadly Games* by Diana Urban

Dec | *The Noh Family* by Grace Shim

Youth Assisting Youth Info Session

Are you between the ages of 16–29 and interested in becoming a mentor? Join this information session offered in partnership with Youth Assisting Youth to learn how.

ZOOM Tuesday, Nov 28, 7 pm



Please pre-register at vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com



Star Wars Jedi Survivor

Xbox / PS5

Video Game

S'ÉCHAPPER DU BIBLIO LABYR INTHE

Escape from the library labyrinth, a world of wonder and mystery, as you race to win the ultimate trophy!

Enjoy snacks and games along the way! For grades 7–12.

Pierre Berton Resource Library

Friday, Nov 17, 7 – 10 pm

 Register at EscapeLibraryLabyrinth.eventbrite.ca



Adult



A Life Review: The Inner Work of Age

Explore connecting your conscious life with what was repressed and un-lived in your shadow and reclaim some of what was sacrificed, in a positive, affirming way. Presented by author Connie Zweig.

ZOOM Wednesday, Nov 15, 7 pm

Aging Creatively: Memory Magnets

Use photos of loved ones and enjoy creating unique magnets. They make great gifts! For older adults, but all adults welcome.

CCRL Saturdays, Nov 25 – Dec 2, 2 pm

Aging Creatively: Watercolour Neurographic Art

Join artist and teacher Christina Chiavaroli as she gently guides you through the process of art exploration using watercolour techniques while also experiencing cognitive benefits.

AN Tuesdays, Nov 7 - Nov 28, 10 am

Aging Well Club

A series for adventurous older adults to learn and interact with others, featuring different themes and guests. See the website for monthly topics.

WO Thursdays, Nov 16 & Dec 14, 2 pm

Gribouillage conscient bilingue pour adultes

/ Bilingual Mindful Doodling for Adults

Faites preuve de créativité et détendez-vous avec des couleurs et motifs différents. Inscription sur Eventbrite.

Get creative and destress with different patterns and colours in a bilingual environment.

BCRL Sunday, Dec 17, 2 pm

Chess Club for Adults

Are you looking for a worthy chess opponent? Please drop in to hone your skills, test them out, or just to find a new chess partner.

VV Wednesdays, Nov 1–Dec 20, 6:30 pm

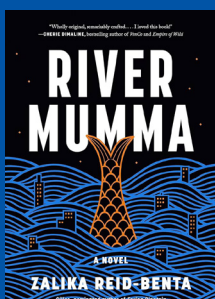
中文社交活动/ Chinese Social Hour

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.

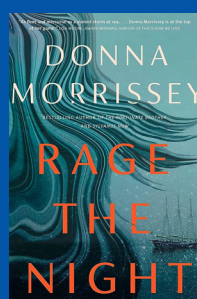
PL Tuesdays, Nov 14 & Dec 12, 10:30 am

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OUR PICKS FOR U



River Mumma
by Zalika Reid-Benta
Book



Rage the Night
by Donna Morrissey
Book



Bliss House
by Jim Bartley
Book

Conversations on Social Inclusion: The LGBTQ2+ Experience 🌈

Join us for a discussion on sexual orientation and identity, viewing the past, present and future. Presented by PFlag Canada York Region.

ZOOM Thursday, Nov 30, 7 pm

Credit 101 🌈

Improve your financial literacy by learning the essentials of credit usage, understanding credit scores, and gain tools to manage your financial future. Join us in person or on Zoom.

PBRL Monday, Dec 4, 7 pm

Effective Interview Skills 🌈

In partnership with COSTI Employment Services, learn how to prepare effectively for an interview and land your dream job.

CCRL Thursday, Nov 2, 11 am

Eviction Process for Landlords 🌈

A representative from Landlord's Self-Help Centre will discuss this difficult process and outline what landlords need to know about eviction.

ZOOM Tuesday, Dec 5, 7 pm

Experience VR

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.

BCRL Sunday, Nov 26, 2 pm

Financial Literacy Fundamentals 🌈

Learn basic financial skills: spending plans and ways of saving money. The Money Matters financial literacy program was developed by ABC Life Literacy Canada and is delivered in communities across Canada.

ZOOM Thursday, Nov 16, 6:30 pm | Spending Plans
Wednesday, Nov 29, 6:30 pm | Saving Money



ESL & Newcomers

In partnership with CCSYR through Library Settlement Partnerships (LSP) in York Region. For registration and information, please contact LSP at LSP@ccsy.org or call/text **647.517.3062** for ESL Café and **647.859.9092** for ESL Book Club.

ESL Café

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

VMC Mondays, Nov 13 & Dec 11, 7 pm

ZOOM Tuesdays, Nov 7 & 21, Dec 5 & 19, 1:30 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。

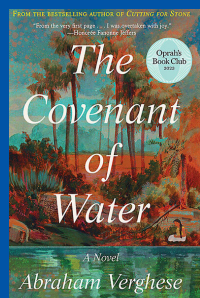
Monthly meetings to share settlement experiences, learn about community resources and services, and get to know the community.

PL Tuesday, Nov 28, 10 am

Virtual ESL Book Club

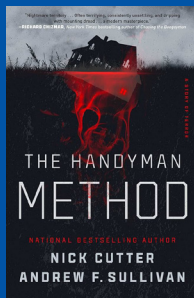
Good news for ESL learners—we offer fun and lively book discussions to build your confidence in speaking English!

ZOOM Thursdays, Nov 9 & Dec 14, 7 pm



The Covenant of Water
by Abraham Verghese

Book



The Handyman Method
by Nick Cutter

Book



Elon Musk
by Walter Isaacson

AudioBook

Adult (cont.)

Healthy Aging Series

This series explores a different topic each week using research and evidence-based approaches to empower seniors on their journey towards healthy aging. Join us in person or on Zoom.

CCRL Thursdays, Nov 2 – Nov 30, 2 pm

Job Search Support for Engineers

Looking for a job in Engineering? Learn about customized programs to help you successfully find work that reflects your skills and experience from a representative from ACCES Employment.

ZOOM Tuesday, Nov 7, 7 pm

Last Aid: Dying & Death

Join Dr. Julie McIntyre and Linda Hochstetler to learn about dying and death in a safe and comfortable setting.

ZOOM Tuesday, Nov 28, 1 pm

Let's Go to the Movies

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

AN Saturdays, Nov 18 & Dec 16, 2 pm

DC Mondays, Nov 6 – Dec 18, 1:30 pm

WO Mondays, Nov 13 & Dec 11, 2 pm

Découvrez le cinéma francophone

/ 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.

Nov | La fine fleur (The Rose Maker)

Dec | Mafia Inc.

DC Sundays, Nov 5 & Dec 3, 1:30 pm

Makers with a Cause: The Canadian Library

Adults and teens will work together to build a library art installation of books wrapped in Indigenous fabric. This memorial to Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls contributes to The Canadian Library project.

PBRL Wednesdays, Nov 29 – Dec 6, 7 pm

Nature Talks

Nature Talks will bring together lovers of nature and advocates of environmental sustainability as we hear from gardeners, scientists and environmentalists. Join in person or on Zoom.

WO Mondays, Nov 6 & Dec 4, 7 pm

Unwind & Design

Ignite creativity, embrace sustainability, and unwind! Engage in creative activities, express yourself through personalized designs and enjoy mindful exercises that promote relaxation.

VMC Thursdays, Nov 16 & Dec 21, 6:30 pm

Webmaking with HTML & CSS

Interested in webpage design? Learn how to make a webpage using HTML and CSS with Canada Learning Code.

ZOOM Wednesday, Dec 6, 6:30 pm

Writers' Room


Work with other aspiring writers to explore the elements of writing. Perfect for discussion and feedback. Join in person or on Zoom.

CCRL Tuesdays, Nov 21 & Dec 19, 7 pm

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ADULT BOOK CLUBS

Great Novels Book Club

Join us as we read and discuss novels that explore our humanity and touch our souls.

BCRL Wednesdays, Nov 29 & Dec 20, 7 pm

Nov | *Less* by Andrew Sean Greer

Dec | *Bitter Orange* by Claire Fuller

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.

CCRL Tuesdays, Nov 7 & Dec 5, 7 pm

Nov | *Skin in the Game* by Nassim Nicholas Taleb

Dec | *Is This Anything?* By Jerry Seinfeld

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!

CCRL Mondays, Nov 13 & Dec 11, 7 pm

Nov | *Honey and Spice* by Bolu Babalola

Dec | *The True Love Experiment* by Christina Lauren

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!

PBRL Mondays, Nov 20 & Dec 18, 7 pm

Nov | *The Institute* by Stephen King

Dec | *Leviathan Wakes* by James S.A. Corey

Attend in person or on Zoom

Culinary Literacy



BBT: It's Bubble Tea Time! 🍵

Learn how to make your own boba pearls and fix yourself a bubble tea! For grades 7–12. Registration is \$5.

VMC Wednesday, Dec 6, 6:15 pm

Bilingual Dessert Gata Arménien

/ *Armenian Gata Dessert* 🇫🇷 🍵

Préparons du Gata arménien! Un délicieux dessert croustillant et beurré avec la garniture sucrée à la vanille, complété avec une touche de français. \$5 par participant. Inscription sur Eventbrite.

Let's make Armenian gata! A delightfully crispy and buttery pastry with a sweet vanilla filling - all this, with a sprinkling of French on top! Families welcome. Registration is \$5.

VMC Wednesday, Nov 29, 6:15 pm

Budget Lunch Social 🍵

A weekly lunch together—on a budget! Join us for the remaining 2 sessions of this 4-part series to learn some kitchen skills and meet new cooking friends. In partnership with VCHC. Registration is \$7.50 for the 2 remaining sessions.

VMC Thursdays, November 2 & 9, 11 am

Cake Club 🍵

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

VMC Sunday, Nov 26, 1 pm

Tuesday, Nov 28, 11 am

Nov 26 | Minimalist Cake Decorating with Chef Trang Vo

Nov 28 | Coffee Cake

🍵 Please pre-register at vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com

Instant Pot: Cosy Stews 🍵

What better way to warm up in the colder months than with a cosy stew? Learn how to make different Instant Pot stews in this two-part series. Registration is \$7.

VMC Wednesdays, Nov 1 & 8, 6 pm

Kitchen Traditions Series 🍵

Let's share kitchen traditions and stories! Learn from older adults in our community and make dishes that reflect our diversity, from one generation to the next.

VMC Tuesdays, Nov 7 & Dec 5, 10:30 am

Wednesdays, Nov 22 & Dec 20, 6:30 pm

Nov 7 | Ackee and Codfish with Fried Plantains

Nov 22 | Chinese Taro Sago Dessert Soup

Dec 5 | Butter Chicken & Kebabs

Dec 20 | Moroccan Couscous with Vegetables

Let's Make Crème Brûlée! 🍵

Learn how to make the perfect crème brûlée at home with Chef Trang! Registration is \$7.

VMC Monday, Nov 6, 6:30 pm

Mmm! Cookie Tin Series 🍵

The perfect gift! Get ready to learn how to make an assortment of cookies that taste as good as they look in this 3-week workshop! Registration is \$21 for all 3 weeks.

VMC Mondays, Dec 4–18, 6:15 pm

Snacking on Stories 🍵

Get ready to dive into the world of stories...through food! We will read a story and cook up something delicious every month. For grades 1–4, with a caregiver. Registration is \$5.

VMC Wednesdays, Nov 15 & Dec 13, 6 pm

LIBRARY SERVICES



Exam Stress Busters

Need a study break? Pop into one of our stress-relief programs and make exam season a little less stressful!

PBRL Nov 27– Dec 8

BCRL Dec 4–10 **CCRL** Dec 7–14

Health 1-on-1^e

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, Nov 27 & Dec 4

Tuesday, Dec 12

By Appointment

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.

CCRL Wednesdays, Nov 1– Dec 20, 6 pm

Saturdays, Nov 4– Dec 16, 10 am

DC Mondays, Nov 6– Dec 18, 4 pm

PBRL Thursdays, Nov 2– Dec 21, 5 pm

PL Mondays, Nov 6– Dec 18, 6 pm

Visit the Therapy Dogs

Take a break and visit with the therapy dogs, in partnership with St. John Ambulance.

BCRL Thursday, Dec 7, 2 pm

MHV Monday, Nov 20, 12 pm

PBRL Thursday, Nov 30, 7 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, Nov 10 & Dec 8, 3:30 pm

Study Hall

Need a place to study for exams? VPL's Study Hall is open late for university students who want to study alone or in small groups.

BCRL CCRL PBRL Nov 27 – Dec 14

Monday – Thursday 9 pm – 12 am

Friday 6 pm – 9 pm

Saturday – Sunday 5 pm – 9 pm

BCRL Bathurst Clark Resource Library | **CCRL** Civic Centre Resource Library
DC Dufferin Clark Library | **MHV** Mackenzie Health Vaughan Library
PBRL Pierre Berton Resource Library | **PL** Pleasant Ridge Library

MAKE IT!

LEARN IT!

CREATE IT!

3D Design Challenge! e

Learn about Computer-aided Design (CAD) by creating something in Tinkercad while working under a design constraint. For grades 5+.

BCRL Sunday, Dec 3, 2 pm

Code the 'Bot

Do you love robots? Drop in and learn to code some fun robots so they can move around and solve mazes! For grades 2–6.

BCRL Saturday, Dec 2, 10 am

KL Sunday, Dec 3, 2 pm

Constructing Classics: Exploring Game Design e

Love retro games? Want to learn how to design one of your own? Adults can explore Construct 3 and learn the basics of game design with little to no coding experience.

ZOOM Monday, Dec 11, 6:30 pm

3D Design for Kids e

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

BCRL Saturday, Nov 4, 10 am

CCRL Sunday, Nov 26, 2 pm

Hour of Code

Join the coding movement and take your first steps in coding. In just one hour, you will see how fun, creative and accessible coding can be!

For grades 3–8.

BCRL Saturday, Nov 18, 10 am

KL Sunday, Nov 5, 2 pm

Learn About AI: Chatbots & Prompt Engineering e

Become a master prompter! Learn how to use AI chat bots like Chat GPT to code, to write, and even to aid in your research!

PBRL Wednesday, Nov 15, 6:30 pm

Let's Build with Keva Planks

Join us as we learn basic engineering concepts and then design and build unique structures.

For grades 2–5.

CCRL Sunday, Dec 3, 2 pm

MA Sunday, Dec 10, 2 pm

VV Sundays, Nov 26 & Dec 17, 10:30 am

Make It for Business: 3D Scanning Objects e

Learn how to use our EINSTAR 3D scanner to turn a physical object into a virtual model that you can use in your business.

PBRL Wednesday, Nov 8, 6:30 pm





Design Projects

Custom Coaster with Glowforge ^e

It is gift giving season! Show off your savvy skills to younger family members by designing a coaster and having it printed on our Glowforge 3D laser printer. Registration is \$5.

ZOOM Thursday, Dec 7, 7 pm

Make Gift Bags with Cricut ^e

The bag itself can be a special gift! Make your custom bags and learn how to use our Cricut! For adults and teens grade 9+.

PBRL Wednesday, Nov 22, 6:30 pm

Make It! Jewelry Workshop ^e

Would you like to make your own personalized jewelry? Learn how using equipment in our Make It space! Registration is \$5.

PBRL Monday, Nov 6, 7 pm

Makey Mischief

Come make some mischief and learn about circuits with Makey Makey! Control a game with fruit, play a drawing of a piano and more! For grades 3+.

BCRL Saturday, Dec 16, 10 am

Robotics Club ^e

Calling all young innovators in grades 4-8! Dive into the exciting world of robotics featuring Vex IQ Robots in this four-week program. Build, pilot, code and compete with friends.

BCRL Mondays, Nov 13 – Dec 4, 6:30 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, Nov 14 & 28, 2 pm

Tuesdays, Nov 7 & 21, 7 pm

MA Wednesdays, Nov 1, 15, 29 & Dec 13, 7 pm

PL Thursdays, Nov 2, 16, 30 & Dec 14, 7 pm

AN Ansley Grove Library | **BCRL** Bathurst Clark Resource Library
CCRL Civic Centre Resource Library **KL** Klienburg Library
MA Maple Library | **PBRL** Pierre Berton Resource Library
PL Pleasant Ridge Library | **WO** Woodbridge Library

^e Please pre-register at vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com



MAKE & TAKE Series



Build a Terrarium

Let's design and build a terrarium to explore concepts of the water cycle, plant growth and ecosystems. For grades 3–7. Registration is \$10.

Father E. Bulfon Community Centre

Wednesday, Nov 22, 7 pm

Custom Gift Tags

Learn to use our Cricut machine and software to design and create a personalized gift tag. For grades 5+. Registration is \$5.

BCRL Tuesday, Nov 28, 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, Dec 11, 6:30 pm

MHV Sunday, Dec 3, 2 pm

Lampe à lave /Lava Lamp

Durant cet atelier bilingue, vous allez découvrir comment fabriquer une lampe à lave et ainsi explorer la densité de différents liquides. Pour les enfants de la 3e à la 6e année. 5\$ par participant. Inscription sur Eventbrite.

During this bilingual workshop, you will find out how to make a lava lamp and learn about liquid densities. For grades 3–6. Registration is \$5.

BCRL Sunday, Dec 10, 2 pm

Holiday Cookie Stencils

Learn to make custom stencils with our Cricut! You'll take home a food-safe stencil you can use to decorate cookies for the holidays. For grades 5+ (adults welcome!). Registration is \$5.

BCRL Tuesday, Dec 12, 6:30 pm

Build a Dancing Doodle Bot!

Learn about electricity and circuits and we'll build a simple robot that dances around! For grades 3–6. Registration is \$10.

Father E. Bulfon Community Centre

Wednesday, Dec 13, 6:30 pm

P.A. DAYS

WILD, WACKY OR WET: WEATHER MATTERS!

Experience thunder, lightning, rain, wind and much more! Have fun exploring different types of weather through fun science experiments and activities.

All VPL Locations

Friday, Nov 17, 10 am–4pm

**Except Kleinburg Library 2–4pm*

STEAM CAMP: BE A MATH WIZARD!

Have a blast with math! Enjoy a variety of challenges, games and puzzles and explore the fun side of math. For grades 3–6. Registration is \$40.

Ansley Grove Library

Friday, November 17, 9 am–4pm

[Register on Eventbrite](#)

WINTER BREAK

WINTER BREAK CHALLENGE!

Do you like building things? Are you up for the Winter Break Challenge? Drop in and have fun with winter-related building challenges using a variety of materials.

All VPL Locations

Dec 27 - January 5

STEAM CAMP: WINTER BREAK

Hang out with us during your winter break for some STEAM fun! We've got awesome science-based activities and challenges! For grades 2–6. Registration is \$40.

Ansley Grove Library

Thursday, Jan 4, 9 am–4pm

Friday, Jan 5, 9 am–4pm

[Register at STEAMCampWinterBreakAN.eventbrite.ca](#)

Civic Centre Resource Library

Tuesday, Jan 2, 9 am–4pm

Wednesday, Jan 3, 9 am–4pm

[Register at STEAMCampWinterBreakCCRL.eventbrite.ca](#)



HEALTH LITERACY

Demystifying Dyslexia


Do you have a child aged 5–9 who is dyslexic or exhibits possible signs of dyslexia? Learn about dyslexia and more. Presented by Dyslexia Canada.

ZOOM Wednesday, Nov 8, 7 pm

All About Osteoporosis

Osteoporosis leads to an increased risk of breaking bones and affects millions of Canadians. Presented by health experts from the Centre of Arthritis Excellence.

ZOOM Tuesday, Nov 28, 7 pm

 Register on Eventbrite



Holocaust Education Week



Art in the Holocaust

Presenter Josh Hacker, Associate Director at Yad Vashem, discusses the significance of art in the Holocaust. We will take a closer look at this artwork which stands as testimony to the strength of the human spirit.

BCRL Sunday, Nov 5, 2 pm

Conversation with Sol Nayman

Join Sol Nayman, Holocaust Survivor for a special conversation on his first return to his hometown of Stoczek, Poland.

BCRL Monday, Nov 6, 7 pm

A Visit to Anne Frank House

Join March of the Living Canada and UJA's Israel Engagement for a special virtual tour of the Anne Frank House to learn Anne's story. For grades 6+.

ZOOM Tuesday, Nov 7, 10 am

Holocaust Education with Jonny Daniels

In partnership with UJA's Israel Engagement. Explore the important work that Jonny Daniels, the Depths Founder and Executive Director, is doing with Holocaust Survivors to honour, share stories, and keep memory alive. For grades 6+.

ZOOM Thursday, Nov 9, 10 am





Holiday Celebration

Celebrate Diwali!

Join us and celebrate the Festival of Lights with stories, songs and activities.

VV Sunday, Nov 12, 10:30 am

Celebrate Hanukkah!

Join us for an evening to celebrate Hannukah! With a special Storytime with UJA Federation of Greater Toronto, followed by activities and a musical performance.

BCRL Wednesday, Dec 13, 5:30 pm

Christmas Cheer with Santa

Delight in the magic of the Christmas with Santa!

Enjoy stories, songs and festive activities.

PBRL Wednesday, Dec 6, 10 am

VMC Saturday, Dec 16, 2 pm

CCRL Saturday, Dec 9, 10 am

MA Wednesday, Dec 20, 10 am



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**VMC Mondays, Dec 4, 11 & 18
6:15 pm**

 Register at [CookieTin.eventbrite.ca](https://www.cookie-tin.eventbrite.ca)



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Monday, Dec 25	Christmas	CLOSED
Tuesday, Dec 26	Boxing Day	CLOSED

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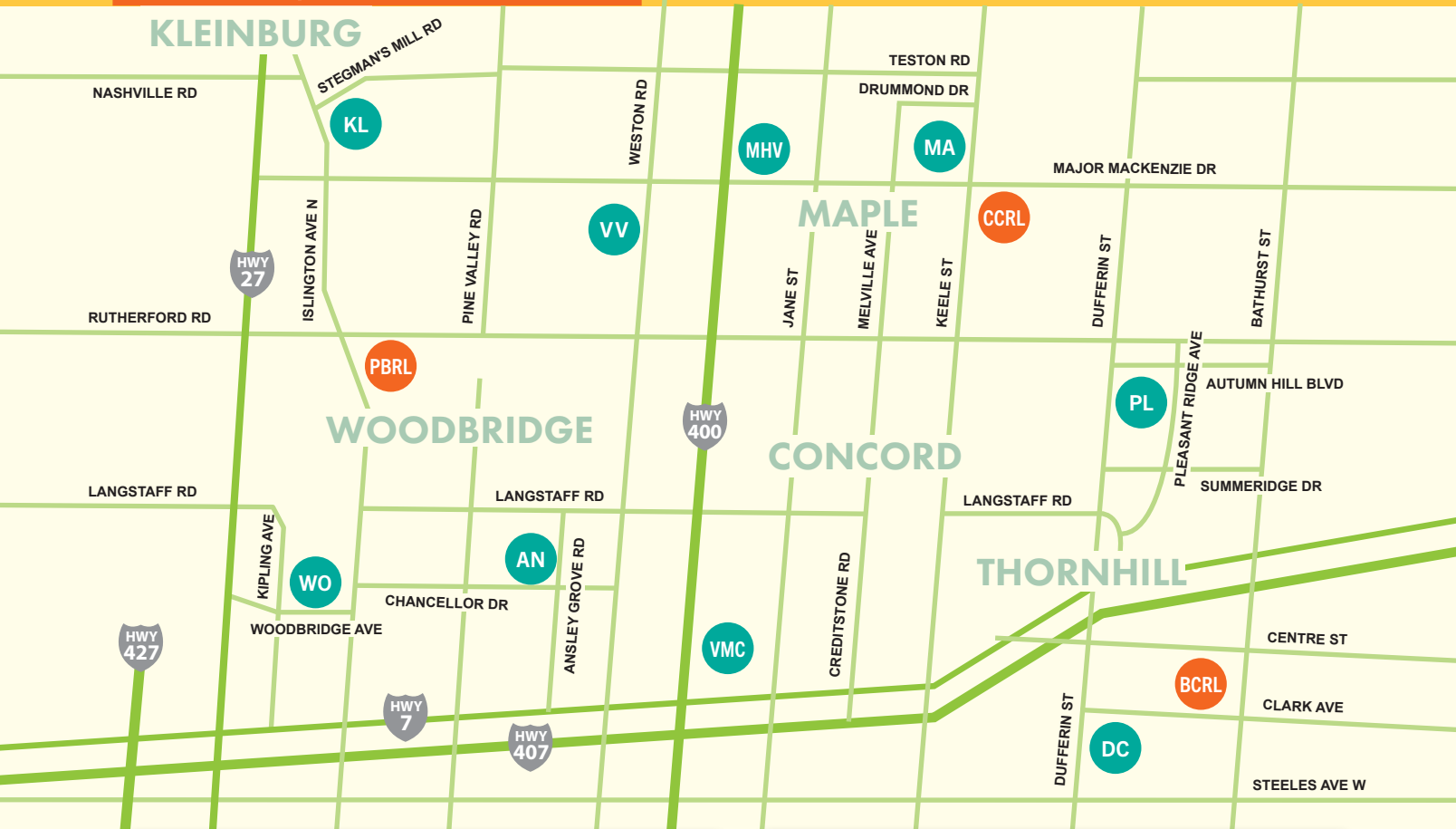
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- CCRL CIVIC CENTRE RESOURCE LIBRARY**
2191 Major Mackenzie Drive, Vaughan L6A 4W2
- PBRL PIERRE BERTON RESOURCE LIBRARY**
4921 Rutherford Road, Woodbridge L4L 1A6
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Mon & Wed 1–9pm; Tue, Thur & Sat
9am–5pm; Fri & Sun 1–5pm

- AN ANSLEY GROVE LIBRARY**
350 Ansley Grove Road, Woodbridge L4L 5C9
- DC DUFFERIN CLARK LIBRARY**
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3200 Major MacKenzie Drive West, Maple L6A 4Z3
- MA MAPLE LIBRARY**
10190 Keele Street, Maple L6A 1G3
- PL PLEASANT RIDGE LIBRARY**
300 Pleasant Ridge Avenue, Thornhill L4J 9B3
- VV VELLORE VILLAGE LIBRARY**
1 Villa Royale Avenue, Woodbridge L4H 2Z7
- VMC VMC LIBRARY & VMC EXPRESS**
200 Apple Mill Rd, Vaughan L4K 0J8
- WO WOODBRIDGE LIBRARY**
150 Woodbridge Avenue, Woodbridge L4L 2S7
Mon–Thurs 9am–9pm; Fri 9am–6pm;
Sat & Sun 9am–5pm



Passport to Vaughan

Learning Pictograph Chinese Characters

Learn to write simple pictograph Chinese characters and use them to enjoy fun activities like making a decorated paper fan and creating wishing tree tags.

Pleasant Ridge Library

Saturday, November 18 | 10:30 am

CONVERSATIONS ON SOCIAL INCLUSION

The LGBTQ2+ Experience

Join us for a discussion on sexual orientation and identity, viewing the past, present and future.
Presented by PFlag Canada York Region.

ZOOM Thursday, November 30, 7 pm

📧 Register at LGBTQ2Experience.eventbrite.ca



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