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Monday, February 17	Family Day	OPEN MA, PL, VV: 10am - 5pm All other branches will be CLOSED

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e Requires registration on Eventbrite

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Welcome



Greetings from
Rose Savage
Chair, Vaughan Public Library Board

Welcome to **What'sOn**
at the Library

We have so much to celebrate and be grateful for at Vaughan Public Libraries (VPL) this season! Our libraries continue to accomplish new milestones and more exciting times await us in the coming new year. Vellore Village Library was featured in the August/September issue of *American Libraries' 2019 Library Design Showcase*. Our tenth and newest library was recognized as one of the top 13 libraries in the United States and Canada completed between May 2018 and April 2019. Such recognitions and your high satisfaction rate with VPL's staff, resources and services not only delight us, but also serve as springboards to continue bringing to you more exciting and innovative spaces and programs.

"Excellent service"

"All of my experiences have been excellent!"

"Staff are amazing and welcoming"

We invite you into our warm libraries during these cooler temperatures to enjoy the assortment of programs and services offered at our ten libraries. Here are just a few new programs and special events for you to explore: *The Learning series, RRSP Info Session, Web and App Development, Ugly Sweater Photo Shoot, Introduction to Photoshop, Family Literacy Day Party, Through Craigh na Dun: An Outlander Experience, Family Night: Hibernation Celebration and Winter Break Programs*. If you are at any of our resource libraries, be sure to make your library stay even more cozy with a hot cappuccino, espresso, latte or just a plain old coffee from the THEOS coffee vending machine! Also, keep an eye out in 2020 for three new libraries, **Vaughan Metropolitan Centre (VMC), VMC Storefront and Mackenzie Vaughan Hospital Library!**

May you all be blessed with joy and happiness now and always. Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to you and your loved ones!

"Staff are wonderful!"

Vaughan Public Libraries received a
96% Satisfaction Rating
2018 City of Vaughan Citizen Satisfaction Survey



"Very professional"

"It feels like a family"

"It's the staff that keeps me coming back"

"Staff are incredibly helpful"

"Friendly A+"



The **Customer Experience Model** embraces the best practices of customer service into one framework that empowers staff to take customer service to the next level.

VPL received the prestigious **Angus Mowat Award of Excellence** in 2018 for developing this model and delivering those WOW moments.



Harry Potter Party

Calling all Harry Potter fans! Join us for a night of magic, bilingual activities and more! All ages.

Bathurst Clark Resource Library
Thursday, February 6, 6 - 8 pm



Winterfest

Join us for the 31st annual Winterfest and enjoy Family Storytime and STEAM activities.

Vellore Village Library
Sunday, February 9

Family Storytime 11 - 11:30 am
Creation Lab 2 - 3:30 pm



Scholars' Hub with YorkU

York University faculty will bring their amazing research and allow you to learn something new. Register at alumniandfriends.yorku.ca under Connect > Events > Scholars' Hub.

Bathurst Clark Resource Library
Wednesday, February 19, 7 - 8:30 pm

What's New



Food for Fines

Get rid of your library fines and help the community at the same time! This holiday season we are accepting donations of non-perishable food items and toiletries between **November 25 and December 15**. You can reduce your library fines by \$1 for each acceptable donation!

Helping Hands

We can also use some Helping Hands to help us sort through the donated items and put together toiletry gift packages for Yellow Brick House, an organization benefiting abused women and children.

Pierre Berton Resource Library | Saturday, December 14, 2 - 4 pm



Extended Hours

You asked and we listened! To better serve you, we will be extending our hours of operation at the following branches in response to community feedback effective January 2, 2020.

Ansley Grove Library	Open Mondays	10am – 9pm
Dufferin Clark Library	Open Fridays	10am – 6pm
Woodbridge Library	Open Fridays	10am – 6pm

Family Day, Feb. 17. We've got you covered.

Come celebrate Family Day at the library! **Maple, Pleasant Ridge, and Vellore Village Libraries** will be open from 10 am - 5 pm to keep your family entertained and learning new things. From board games to LEGO®, Vox Books to STEAM Kits, and Playaway Launchpads.



Music & MemorySM

We are pleased to offer the new Music & MemorySM service that is designed to help those suffering from Alzheimer's or dementia, as well as those who are bed-bound, in chronic pain, or in hospice care. Music & MemorySM utilizes digital music technology to access pleasant memories and provide patients with relief from stress and pain. Customers can request for themselves or a family member an MP3 player preloaded with a personalized playlist created by our trained and certified staff.

Now available at **Bathurst Clark Resource Library** and **Woodbridge Library**. For more information please contact the Service Desk at these branches.



Branding

Our libraries have evolved over the years to become more dynamic and innovative! To better represent our libraries and meet the needs of our residents, we have embarked on a journey to revitalize our brand. Watch for the new brand reveal in early 2020!



Try our new service EMAIL TO PRINT

You can now print from any device, in the library or even from home!
Contact the Service Desk for instructions

MAKE IT!

LEARN IT!

CREATE IT!

Crash Course in Songwriting

The Toronto Songwriting School will walk you through the initial steps of writing songs. No musical experience required, but you may bring a guitar or ukulele if you have one. **e**

CCRL Feb 9 2 pm

Design in 3D - For Kids!

Design your very own 3D creations using Tinkercad. Ages: 8+. **e**

CCRL Feb 1 2 pm

Design Your Own Button

Learn how to design your own button and we'll help you make it! Ages: 6+.

CCRL Feb 8 2 pm

DESIGN PROJECTS

Discover how to use some of the tools in our **MAKE IT!** space through guided step-by-step projects. *Tickets are available at the Service Desk 30 minutes before.*

Dual Colour 3D Nametags

PBRL Jan 16 6:30 pm

Holiday Card Making

BCRL Dec 1 2 pm

CCRL Dec 7 2 pm

It's a Wrap with Gift Wrap

BCRL Dec 8 2 pm

PBRL Dec 10 6:30 pm

Phone Stand

PBRL Jan 25 2 pm

Put Your Heart Into It

PBRL Feb 8 2 pm

Wood Business Card

PBRL Feb 20 6:30 pm

GameLab

Learn how to develop your own game using Game Maker Studio 2 and make the game of your dreams!

BCRL Jan 18 | Feb 15 2 pm

Green Room 101

Get an introduction to the Green Room and film and photography equipment. **e**

CCRL Dec 5 | Jan 9 Feb 6 7 pm

Green Screen

Animation Action

Make stop-motion animated shorts with a green screen. Ages: 8 - 12. **e**

BCRL Jan 19 2 pm

Intro to Photoshop

A local photographer will teach you how to edit and re-touch photos.

Ages: 16+. Cost: \$20. **e**

CCRL Feb 10 7 pm

Intro to Product Photography

Hands-on training from a local photographer. Ages: 16+. Cost: \$20. **e**

CCRL Feb 3 7 pm

Intro to Professional Photography

Get hands-on practice with a local photographer. Ages: 16+. Cost: \$20. **e**

CCRL Jan 13 7 pm

Record a Demo

Work with a technician for personalized studio set-up, software navigation and recording. Come ready to perform. Cost: \$125. **e**

CCRL Dec 15 | Jan 19 Feb 23 10 am

Recording Studio 101

Get an introduction to the Recording Studio equipment and software. **e**

CCRL Dec 2 | Jan 6 Feb 3 7 pm

Recording Studio Master Class

This five-part workshop will teach you how to set up the live studio, use Logic Pro, and edit and export your files. Ages: 13+. Cost: \$120. **e**

CCRL Jan 11, 18, 25 Feb 1, 8 10 am

Robotics Club

Work together to design, build, test and program your own robot using LEGO® Mindstorms EV3 kits. Then show off your skills in a robot battle.

Ages: 8 - 14. **e**

PBRL Tuesdays 6:30 pm Feb 4 - Feb 25

STEAM Careers In Action

Meet professionals who work in STEAM-related fields and enjoy activities related to their profession.

BCRL Jan 5 2 pm

Web Developer

Feb 2 2 pm

Doctor

STEAM Club

Explore a new STEAM topic each week with a guided, hands-on workshop. Ages: 7+. **e**

BCRL Tuesdays 7 pm

Dec 1 - Feb 29

Ugly Sweater Photo Shoot

Put on your Ugly Sweater and come up with a creative pose for a real fun, one-of-a-kind photo-op. **e**

CCRL Dec 1 2 pm

PBRL Dec 15 2 pm

Web and App Development

This three-week workshop, presented by STEM Minds, will lead you through the fundamentals of Web and App Development. Ages: 8 - 12. Cost: \$85. **e**

PBRL Jan 30 | Feb 6, 13 6:30 pm





Preschool programs

Baby Social

Drop in and meet other parents and babies in your community! We will feature a new topic every week along with activities, singing, free play and occasional guest speakers. Ages: 0 - 12 months with a parent or caregiver.

BCRL Fridays 10:30 am

Hop, Sing, Read!

For children who love to move, this storytime is 30 minutes of songs, rhymes and wiggles. For 2 to 4 year olds and their enthusiastic adult.

CCRL Thursdays 11:30 am
Jan 16 - Feb 20

DC Tuesdays 10:30 am

MA Wednesdays 10:15 am

VV Mondays 10:30 am

Musical Babies

An hour-long program that incorporates musical learning with songs, rhymes and more! Offered in partnership with EarlyON Centre. Space is limited. Ages: 0 - 12 months. Tickets are available at the Service Desk 30 minutes before.

KL Wednesdays 2 pm

MA Thursdays 1:30 pm

Toddling to Read

This program features stories, songs, action rhymes and early literacy activities that you can continue to enjoy at home! Toddlers will enjoy lots of stimulation and activity. Ages: 18 months to 3 years with a parent or caregiver.

AN Thursdays 10:30 am

BCRL Thursdays 10:30 am

CCRL Mondays 11:30 am

MA Tuesdays 10:30 am

PBRL Wednesdays 10:30 am

PL Wednesdays 10:30 am

Fridays 10:30 am

Born to Read

Join us for an interactive program to share stories, songs, rhymes and early literacy activities that you can continue to enjoy at home! Ages: 0 - 18 months with a parent or caregiver.

AN Fridays 10:30 am

BCRL Tuesdays 10:30 am

CCRL Wednesdays 2 pm

Fridays 2 pm

DC Thursdays 10:30 am

PBRL Tuesdays 10:30 am

PL Mondays 11:30 am

VV Wednesdays 10:30 am

Please join us for seasonally themed programs from Dec 16 - 21. There will be a program break starting Dec 23. Regular programming resumes Jan 6.

STEAM Storytime

Investigate early Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics concepts through songs, stories and interactive play. Ages: 3 - 5.

BCRL Saturdays 10:30 am



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Children's programs

Be an Earth Ranger!

Do you have a passion for animals and the environment? Become an Earth Ranger and help us complete missions as we learn about biodiversity and sustainability to protect the world we live in. Ages: 7 - 12.

PL Dec 21 | Jan 18
Feb 29 2 pm
VV Jan 23 | Feb 27 6:30 pm

♣ Chess Club

Play a game, talk strategy and meet other like-minded chess players.

MA Fridays 4 pm
VV Saturdays 1 pm
WO Tuesdays 6:45 pm

FR Fun With French

Parlez vous français? Practice French with stories and activities led by French speaking volunteers from our community. Ages: 7+.

♣ **BCRL** Thursdays 7 pm
CCRL Wednesdays 7 pm
Starting Jan 8
PBRL Mondays 7 pm
Starting Jan 6

❄️ *There will be a program break starting Dec 23. Regular programming resumes Jan 6.*

Homework Help

Get help with Math, Science, English, and more. Ages: 7 - 12. Please pre-register at the Service Desk.

AN BCRL CCRL Wednesdays

FR Homework Help for French

Get help with French reading, writing and oral communication. Ages: 7 - 12. Please pre-register at the Service Desk.

AN BCRL CCRL Wednesdays

Hooked on Books

Love books? Us too! We're discussing and exploring our favourite books and characters with a new theme each week. Just drop in!

PL Tuesdays 4 pm
Starting Jan 7

Hour of Code

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

PL Feb 1 2 pm

Keyboarding Basics for Today

Learn proper keyboarding techniques in this four-week workshop.

Ages: 8 - 12. Cost: \$40. Ⓜ️
BCRL Jan 6, 13, 20, 27 7 pm

FR Club Franco for Homeschoolers

It's French club for homeschoolers! Join us for bilingual arts and science activities led by French-speaking staff. Ages: 6 - 12.

Venez nous rejoindre pour une heure d'activités en français organisée par un de nos bibliothécaires francophones. Pour 6 - 12 ans.

BCRL Dec 3, 17 | Jan 14, 28
Feb 11, 25 2 pm

STEAM Club for Homeschoolers

Hands-on workshops that explore science, technology, engineering, arts and math. Ages: 6 - 12.

BCRL Dec 10 | Jan 7, 21
Feb 4, 18 2 pm

Kids' Writing Workshop

In partnership with the Ripple Foundation, VPL offers a series of five workshops to introduce the fundamentals of the creative writing process. For children in grades 4 - 8.

DC Thursdays 4 pm
Starting Jan 30
MA Wednesdays 4 pm
Starting Jan 25

Money and Budgeting for Kids

Financial literacy for kids! Through fun activities over three weekly sessions kids will learn about value, savings and the importance of giving. Cost: \$30. Ⓜ️

BCRL Feb 3, 10, 24 7 pm
PBRL Jan 14, 21, 28 7 pm

Reading Buddies for Kids!

Practice reading, play games and make friends. Contact the Service Desk or visit our website for details. Ages: 7 - 11.

DC Wednesdays 4:30 pm
Wednesdays 5:30 pm
Starting Jan 8
MA Tuesdays 6:30 pm
Starting Feb 4
PBRL Sundays 2 pm
Starting Feb 2
VV Wednesdays 4 pm
Saturdays 11 am
Starting Feb 5

KIDS' BOOK CLUB

Get the book, read it and then tell us what you thought while enjoying activities and games based on the story! Ages: 8 - 12.

CCRL	Dec 3	6:30 pm
	<i>The Fourteenth Goldfish</i> by Jennifer L. Holm	
	Jan 7	6:30 pm
	<i>Restart</i> by Gordon Korman	
	Feb 4	6:30 pm
	<i>Withering by Sea</i> by Judith Rossell	
PBRL	Dec 11	7 pm
	<i>The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe</i> by C.S. Lewis	
	Jan 15	7 pm
	<i>Because of Mr. Terupt</i> by Rob Buyea	
	Feb 12	7 pm
	<i>Flora & Ulysses: The Illuminated Adventures</i> by Kate DiCamillo	
PL	Dec 19	6:30 pm
	<i>The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane</i> by Kate DiCamillo	
	Jan 30	6:30 pm
	<i>The Land of Stories: The Wishing Spell</i> by Chris Colfer	
	Feb 27	6:30 pm
	<i>The Fourteenth Goldfish</i> by Jennifer L. Holm	
VV	Dec 2	6:30 pm
	<i>The Stonekeeper</i> by Kazu Kibuishi	
	Jan 6	6:30 pm
	<i>Roller Girl</i> by Victoria Jamieson	
	Feb 3	6:30 pm
	<i>The Lighting Thief</i> by Rick Riordan	

P.A. DAY FUN!

Comic Book Day

Love *Dog Man* or Raina Telgemeier? Visit comic book day to celebrate your favourite characters and make your own!

AN	Jan 17	2 pm
VV	Jan 17	2 pm

Down the Rabbit Hole

This *Alice in Wonderland* party is the perfect way to spend a P.A. Day!

MA	PBRL	PL	Jan 31	2 pm
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Frozen Fun!

Feeling bored? *Let it go* and come to the library for some Winterrific fun!

BCRL	Jan 17	2 pm
CCRL	Jan 17	2 pm
DC	Jan 31	2 pm

I Spy

Spend the afternoon being a spy! Solve puzzles and explore mysterious things!

AN	Jan 31	2 pm
BCRL	Jan 31	2 pm
CCRL	Jan 31	2 pm
DC	Jan 17	2 pm
MA	Jan 17	2 pm
PBRL	Jan 17	2 pm
PL	Jan 17	2 pm
VV	Jan 31	2 pm

Winter Break!

Family Movie Marathon: Star Wars Edition

Come and celebrate the release of *The Rise of Skywalker* with screenings of favourite Star Wars movies for the whole family.

MA	Jan 3	
	<i>The Force Awakens</i>	10 am
	<i>The Last Jedi</i>	12:30 pm
	<i>Solo</i>	3:30 pm

Mr. Chris & the Gassy Bubbles

The Bubbles deliver a super fun and interactive musical puppet program that will have families dancing and singing together. Ages: 2 - 8.

Cost: \$5 per person.

DC	Dec 30	2 pm
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Robin Hood and the Dragon

Join Applefun Puppetry for a puppet show and then make your own puppet! Ages: 3 - 9. Cost: \$5.

AN	Jan 3	2 pm
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We've got a ton of STEAM fun! Our campers explore themes like coding, robotics, engineering and virtual reality through activities and build projects. Ages: 6 - 11. Cost: \$40 per day. Full details and registration on Eventbrite.

Drop and Shop

Special holiday edition! Drop off the kids while you take care of your holiday errands. It's a win-win!

AN	Dec 14	9:30 am - 4 pm
CCRL	Dec 7	9:30 am - 4 pm

March Break

Cost: \$180 for a full week, or \$40 per day. Complete details on Eventbrite. Registration opens on January 7.

AN	Mar 16 - 20	9 am - 4 pm
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P.A. Days

Hang out with us on your P.A. Days for some STEAM fun!

CCRL	Jan 17	9 am - 4 pm
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Bilingual P.A. Days

French and English STEAM fun.

PBRL	Jan 31	9 am - 4 pm
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Winter Break

CCRL	Jan 3	9 am - 4 pm
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Please pre-register at the Service Desk or on Eventbrite. Search by program name at vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com



FAMILY STORYTIME

Spend time together enjoying great stories, songs and rhymes. Fun for the whole family! ❄️

BCRL	Wednesdays	10:30 am
CCRL	Fridays	11:30 am
KL	Tuesdays	11 am
MA	Thursdays	10:30 am
PBRL	Mondays	6:30 pm
	Thursdays	11 am
PL	Tuesdays	6:30 pm
VV	Tuesdays	6:30 pm
WO	Thursdays	6:30 pm

FR Bilingual Family Storytime

The perfect intro to French!

CCRL	Dec 7 Jan 18	
	Feb 1, 29	11 am
VV	Dec 5 Feb 6	6:30 pm

Multilingual Storytime

No prior knowledge of a second language is required.

BCRL	Wednesdays	4 pm
	Jan 8 - Feb 12 - French	
	Feb 19 - Mar 25 - Mandarin	
	<i>Except Mar 18</i>	
PBRL	Tuesdays	2 pm
	Jan 7 - Feb 11 - French	
	Feb 18 - Mar 31 - Italian	
	<i>Except Mar 17</i>	

Sensory Storytime for Children with Special Needs

A sensory-friendly environment with a small group. Ages: 3 - 8.

CCRL	Dec 14 Jan 11	
	Feb 8	10:30 am



Family Storytelling

Celebrate Family Literacy Day with author Bruna Di Giuseppe as she tells an Italian-English bilingual story that embraces cultural traditions and emphasizes the importance of teaching our little ones where they come from.

PBRL	Jan 27	6:30 pm
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Family programs

❄️ Creation Lab

Explore all things STEAM with a variety of library tech and tools.

KL	Saturdays	2 pm
MA	Thursdays	7 pm
VV	Fridays	3:30 pm
WO	Wednesdays	6:30 pm

Family Movie

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

DC	Jan 4, Feb 16	1:30 pm
MA	Dec 14, 28 Jan 11, 25	
	Feb 8, 22	2 pm

FR French Family Movie

Best way to learn French? Movies! Come enjoy a movie in French with English subtitles so no one is left behind!

MA	Jan 18 Feb 15	2 pm
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LEGO® Mania

If you like playing with LEGO®, come design and build LEGO® structures. Ages: 5 - 9.

BCRL	Sundays	10:30 am
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Online Safety for Kids

Learn about cyberbullying, safety features of social media apps and safe profiles and passwords. In partnership with Y-Digital, YMCA of Greater Toronto. Ages: 6 - 12. Ⓢ

BCRL	Dec 2	6 pm
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Online Safety for Parents

Learn about cyber-bullying, online gaming and parental controls. In partnership with Y-Digital by YMCA of Greater Toronto. Ⓢ

BCRL	Dec 2	6 pm
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FR Play Together/Jouons ensemble

Enjoy learning French together with different games and fun activities. For children of all ages and their families. Just drop in!

PBRL	Jan 18 Feb 15	2 pm
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Pokémon League

Whether you own Pokémon Cards, love Pokémon or just want something fun to do, come play Pokémon The Card Game at the library! All ages.

BCRL	Dec 7 Jan 4	
	Feb 1	2 pm
VV	Dec 19 Jan 16	
	Feb 20	6 pm

Puppet Show Fun

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

BCRL	Jan 5	10:30 am
PL	Jan 11	11 am

Star Wars Celebration

Celebrate all things Star Wars with fun activities and a chance to meet other fans of the galaxy far, far away. Costumes are welcome!

BCRL	Dec 14	2 pm
MA	Dec 14	11 am
PL	Dec 14	11 am
WO	Dec 7	2 pm

❄️ *There will be a program break starting Dec 23. Regular programming resumes Jan 6.*



Teen Book Clubs

Meet up and chat about our monthly hot reads. The library will provide copies of the titles.

AN	Dec 4	7 pm
	<i>Piecing Me Together</i> by Renee Watson	
	Jan 8	7 pm
	<i>Scythe</i> by Neal Shusterman	
	Feb 5	7 pm
	<i>American Born Chinese</i> by Gene Luen Yang	
PL	Dec 16	7 pm
	<i>Check, Please!</i> by Ngozi Ukazu	
	Jan 27	7 pm
	<i>Unwind</i> by Neal Shusterman	
	Feb 24	7 pm
	<i>The Poet X</i> by Elizabeth Acevedo	
VV	Dec 18	6:30 pm
	<i>The Poet X</i> by Elizabeth Acevedo	
	Jan 15	6:30 pm
	<i>How I Live Now</i> by Meg Rosoff	
	Feb 19	6:30 pm
	<i>March: Book 1</i> by John Lewis	

Teen & Tween programs

Anime and Comic Club

Watch anime, discuss your favorite manga and comic books, and make friends. Snacks are provided!

MA Dec 16 | Jan 13
Feb 10 **4 pm**

D&D Adventures at the Library

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. Ages: 12 - 16.

CCRL Dec 30 | Jan 27
Feb 24 **6:30 pm**
DC Tuesdays **6 pm**

Looking For Group:

A D&D Party

Experienced players can join a more advanced Dungeons & Dragons game this winter break with a compelling story, mystery and encounters in a four-hour session. Dice and snacks will be provided. Ages: 14 - 24.

CCRL Jan 2 **3 pm**
DC Dec 29 **1 pm**

Red Cross Babysitting Course

Learn important skills for becoming a top-notch babysitter. Ages: 11 - 15. Admission: \$60

MA Feb 1 **10 am**

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.

PBRL Saturdays **1 pm**
VV Thursdays **3:30 pm**

The Rainbow Club

Come out to our social club for LGBTQ+ teens and allies. Play games, learn and have fun. Ages: 13 - 18.

AN Dec 18 | Jan 22
Feb 19 **7 pm**

Tween Makers

DIY, make friends and have fun. Ages: 9 - 13.

PBRL Feb 22 **2 pm**
Pixelated Art

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.

BCRL Jan 20 - 30
Mon - Thu: 9 pm - 12 am
Fri: 6 - 9 pm
Sat & Sun: 5 - 9 pm

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

There are plenty of ways you can volunteer at the library! We have opportunities for various age groups in a wide variety of subjects. For a full listing of all opportunities, please visit www.vaughanpl.info/volunteer



Please pre-register at the Service Desk or on Eventbrite. Search by program name at vaughanpubliclibraries.eventbrite.com



Adult programs

Book Tasting @ The Library

Sample "taste" new and different authors and genres.

DC Dec 12 7 pm

Books for the Gift Giving Season

Learn about the newest and hottest books for this holiday season.

CCRL Dec 2 7 pm
WO Dec 16 7 pm

Brain Fitness

Fun and engaging activities to boost your brain strength and flexibility.

PBRL Jan 23 | Feb 27 2 pm

Bring Your Own Baby Book Club

Discuss books with other parents and caregivers while your baby eats, sleeps or plays. Books will be provided.

KL Dec 16 | Jan 13
Feb 10 2 pm

ESL Café

Newcomers and ESL learners can practice their English in an informal environment with adult volunteers. Contact the Service Desk to register.

DC Dec 8, 22 | Jan 5, 19
Feb 2 1:30 pm
VV Dec 1, 15 | Jan 12, 26
Feb 9, 23 1:30 pm

Finding the Writer's Voice

This two-part workshop will allow writers to use the Recording Studio to record their narrative voice, as well as collaborate on character dialogue. 📞

CCRL Feb 13 & 20 6 pm

FR French Meetup

Chat in French with monthly themes.

BCRL Dec 18 6:30 pm

Livres préférés |

Favourite books

Jan 29 6:30 pm

Sports | Sports

Feb 26 6:30 pm

Télévision | Television

Guided Meditation in VR

Bring calm back into your studies with a guided meditation session in virtual reality. Inquire at the Information Desk for more details.

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Jewish Book Club

The library will provide copies of two books on contemporary Jewish topics: *Eternal Life: A Novel* by Dara Horn, and *The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit: My Family's Exodus from Old Cairo to the New World* by Lucette Lagnado.

DC Jan 9 2 pm

Online Safety and Banking

Learn how to be safe online and use online banking features and apps. In partnership with Y-Digital, YMCA of Greater Toronto. 📞

AN Jan 16 7 pm

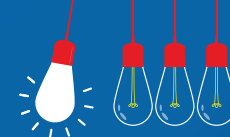
KL Feb 5 6 pm

RRSP Info Session

Learn how to take advantage of Registered Retirement Savings Plans, led by a local investment expert. 📞

BCRL Jan 15 7 pm

Hot Topics



Come see what everyone is talking about. We have educational and informative sessions on a variety of topics. 📞

Civil Litigation

AN Feb 20 7 pm

Climate Change

DC Jan 12 2 pm

Human Rights and Employment Law

MA Jan 12 2 pm

Retirement Planning

DC Feb 9 2 pm

Standard Lease

AN Jan 23 7 pm

Veg Out!

MA Feb 9 2 pm

Sing Your Heart Out

Come together with your community to sing a pop song with a guitarist. Parts will be provided for practice.

CCRL Dec 19 7 pm

Social Hour

Free program featuring activities, guest speakers and informational workshops.

CCRL Dec 4 | Jan 8

Feb 5 11 am

VV Dec 3, 17 | Jan 7, 21

Feb 4, 18 11 am

WO Dec 19 | Jan 16

Feb 20 2 pm

Stuff You Forgot From High School

Join us for a refresher on some of your most loved (or hated!) subjects, and learn something new.

CCRL Jan 28 7 pm

An Introduction to Philosophical Arguments

Feb 25 7 pm

Freedom to Read

Writers' Room

Work with other aspiring writers to explore elements of writing like plot, character, and prose style. Perfect for discussion and feedback.

CCRL Dec 17 | Jan 12

Feb 18 7 pm

Adult Book Clubs

Mingle with like-minded adults and have great conversations about a book chosen monthly. The library will provide copies of the titles.

AN	Dec 11	7 pm
	Open discussion. What else are you reading?	
	Jan 29	7 pm
	<i>Everything I Never Told You</i> by Celeste Ng	
	Feb 26	7 pm
	<i>Americanah</i> by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie	
BCRL	Jan 28	7 pm
	<i>Outwitting History</i> by Aaron Lansky	
	Feb 25	7 pm
	<i>Dreams from My Father: A Story of Race and Inheritance</i> by Barack Obama	
CCRL	Dec 10	7 pm
	<i>Little Fires Everywhere</i> by Celeste Ng	
	Jan 14	7 pm
	<i>12 Rules for Life</i> by Jordan Peterson	
	Feb 11	7 pm
	<i>Brother</i> by David Chariandry	
PL	Dec 11	7 pm
	<i>21 Lessons for the 21st Century</i> by Yuval Noah Harari	
	Jan 8	7 pm
	<i>The Home for Unwanted Girls</i> by Joanna Goodman	
	Feb 12	7 pm
	<i>Becoming</i> by Michelle Obama	
VV	Dec 12	7 pm
	<i>A Complicated Kindness</i> by Miriam Toews	
	Feb 13	7 pm
	<i>An American Marriage</i> by Tayari Jones	
WO	Jan 27	7 pm
	<i>The Alice Network</i> by Kate Quinn	
	Feb 24	7 pm
	<i>Life in Parts</i> by Bryan Cranston	

Let's Go to the Movies

Watch a film at the library - for free!

DC	Mondays	1:30 pm
	<i>Except Dec 30 and Feb 17</i>	
	Saturdays	1:30 pm
	<i>Except Jan 4 and Feb 22</i>	

FR Let's Go to the (French) Movies

Great French movies with English subtitles for all to enjoy.
De superbes films en français avec sous-titres anglais pour le plaisir de tous.


DC	Dec 11 Jan 15	1:30 pm
	Feb 12	

World Cinema

Experience critically acclaimed movies from around the world, with subtitles.

DC	Dec 15 Jan 26	2 pm
	Feb 23	

TECH TRAINING

Take it a step beyond the basics with these helpful hands-on sessions. 

Apps for Newcomers

DC	Jan 23	7 pm
MA	Jan 13	11 am
PBRL	Feb 12	2 pm

Genealogy Apps

BCRL	Feb 20, 27	2 pm
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Introduction to MS Office

CCRL	Feb 11	10 am
	Microsoft Word	
	Feb 18	10 am
	Microsoft Powerpoint	
	Feb 25	10 am
	Microsoft Excel	

Make the Most of Your Smartphone: Photography

BCRL	Dec 19	2 pm
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Photo Editing

BCRL	Jan 16 & 23	2 pm
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Tech 1-On-1

Hands-on assistance from volunteers. Contact the Service Desk for details.

AN CCRL PL WO

Study Hall

VPL's study hall is once again open late for post-secondary students who want to study alone or in small groups.

BCRL CCRL PBRL

November 25 - Dec 19

Mon - Thu: 9 pm - 12 am

Fri: 6 - 9 pm

Sat & Sun: 5 - 9 pm

A Hygge Study Evening

Enjoy a cozy study night at the library. Switch up your study environment, snuggle up in a blanket and enjoy warm refreshments. BYOB (Bring your own blankets).

CCRL	Dec 12	6:30 pm
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Visit the Therapy Dogs

Too stressed to study? Take a break and visit the therapy dogs, in partnership with St. John Ambulance.

BCRL	Dec 15 Jan 25	2 pm
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CCRL	Dec 9	7 pm
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PBRL	Dec 3	7 pm
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THE LEARNING SERIES

Brain Health and Mindfulness

This workshop will offer information on cognitive skills, self-care practices and ways to improve your quality of life.

BCRL	Dec 12	2:30 pm
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Osteopathy in the Golden Years

Osteopathy is a gentle form of manual therapy that treats the body as a whole functioning unit.

BCRL	Feb 13	2:30 pm
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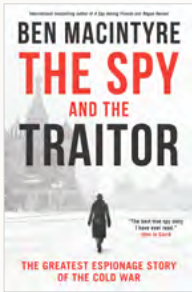
Popular Apps and Social Media

For beginners, including maps, health and fitness, memory improvement games, and communication. Bring your own device, like a smartphone, if you have one.

BCRL	Jan 9	2:30 pm
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Recommended Reads

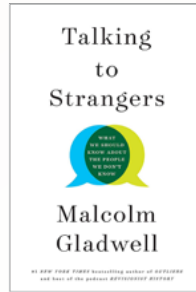
ADULT



The Spy and the Traitor
Ben Macintyre



Find Me
André Aciman



Talking to Strangers
Malcolm Gladwell

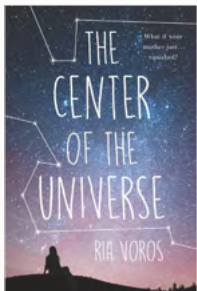


Secrets We Kept
Lara Prescott



Dual Citizens
Alix Ohlin

TEEN



The Center of the Universe
Ria Voros



On the Come up
Angie Thomas



In Another World With My Smartphone
Patora Fuyuhara

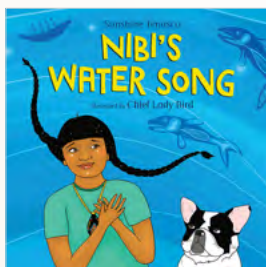


Opposite of Always
Justin A. Reynolds

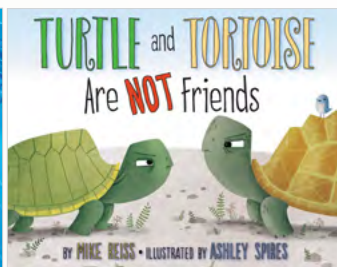


The Hive
Barry Lyga

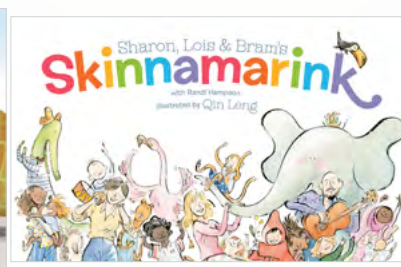
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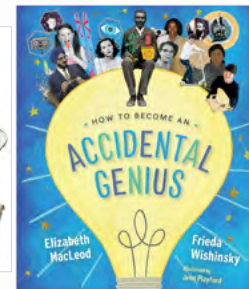
Nibi's Water Song
Sunshine Tenasco



Turtle and Tortoise Are Not Friends
Mike Reiss



Sharon, Lois & Bram's Skinamarink
Sharon Hampson, Lois Lilienstein, and Bram Morrison



How to Become an Accidental Genius
Elizabeth MacLeod and Frieda Wishinsky



Code This!
Jennifer Szymanski

Library Locations

☎ 905.653.READ (7323)



AN **ANSLEY GROVE LIBRARY**
350 Ansley Grove Road, Woodbridge L4L 5C9

★ **Mon–Thurs 10am–9pm; Fri 10am–6pm;**
Sat 10am–5pm; Sun 1–5pm
★ Closed on Mondays during December only.

NEW!

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 & Thurs 1–8pm; Tues 10am–5pm;
Fri Closed; Sat & Sun 1–5pm

DC **DUFFERIN CLARK LIBRARY**
1441 Clark Avenue West, Thornhill L4J 7R4

WO **WOODBIDGE LIBRARY**
150 Woodbridge Avenue, Woodbridge L4L 2S7
Mon–Thurs 10am–9pm; ★Fri 10am–6pm;
Sat 10am–5pm; Sun 1–5pm
★ Closed on Fridays during December only.

NEW!

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

Mon–Thurs 10am–9pm; Fri 10am–6pm;
Sat 10am–5pm; Sun 1–5pm

Library items may be returned to any branch.
Return boxes are open 24/7.



BILINGUAL ESCAPE THE LIBRARY LABYRINTH

Jeu d'évasion bilingue échappe-toi du Biblio-Labyrinthe

Show off your skills, wits and agility by solving a variety of escape room-type challenges and puzzles. Race to win the ultimate trophy with bilingual escape room fun, snacks and games. For ages 12 - 17.

Sauras-tu être assez rusé, habile et agile pour t'échapper du biblio-labyrinthe? Défis et énigmes t'attendent dans ce jeu d'évasion bilingue. Collations et beaucoup de plaisir au menu. Pour 12 à 17 ans.

Pierre Berton Resource Library • Saturday, December 7 • 7 – 9 pm 



BOB ROSS EDITION

Who doesn't want to paint happy trees? Whatever your experience level, come and embrace the joy of painting; happy accidents welcome! Wine and light refreshments will be served.

Ages: 19+. Tickets: \$20 or 2 for \$35.
Ticket sales start Dec 14.



Maple Library • Saturday, January 18 • 7 – 9 pm 



Family Literacy Day PARTY

Celebrate Family Literacy Day! Sing along with Kathy Reid-Naiman, enjoy storytime, create art and select books to take home!

#FLD2020

Bathurst Clark Resource Library • Sunday, January 26 • 1:30 – 4 pm 

FAMILY NIGHT

Hibernation Celebration

#VPLFamNite

We're celebrating the sleepy animals all around us. Get cozy with hot chocolate, build a fort to read in and play some games. Pyjamas are encouraged!



Maple Library • Saturday, February 15 • 6:30 – 9 pm 

THROUGH CRAIGH NA DUN AN OUTLANDER EXPERIENCE

Travel through the stones of Craigh na Dun and celebrate the world of *Outlander*. The library will be transported back to Inverness in the 18th century for one night only.

Ages: 19+. Tickets: \$20 or 2 for \$35.
Whisky tasting experience add-on: \$50.

Civic Centre Resource Library • Saturday, February 29 • 7 pm 