

# NFPL

# GUIDE

## WINTER 2025

Registration opens **Monday December 16**



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& to register, visit us at [nflibrary.ca](https://nflibrary.ca)

 Virtual

 Registration required



# KIDS

## BOOK BUZZ **R**

Spark a love of reading through exciting stories and literacy games. **Ages 7-11**

**COM** | Thursday Jan 2 | 1pm

## STEM SATURDAYS

Enjoy storytime and then participate in a STEM-related craft experiment. **Ages 2+**

**STAM** | Saturday Jan 4 | 11:30am

**VIC** | Saturday Feb 8 | 11:30am

## BOOKGARTNERS **R**

Join us for stories, crafts and activities based on the works of Mo Willems. **Ages 2-5**

**COM** | Monday Jan 6 | 10:30am

**VIC** | Friday Jan 10 | 10:30am

## PLAYDOUGH PARTY

Enjoy a multi sensory experience while you explore, shape and create with playdough. **Ages 6+**

**STA** | Saturday Jan 11 | 11:30am

## THERAPY TAILS

It's "dog days" at the library with Therapy Tails. Read some stories and say hello to some furry friends. **All ages**

**VIC** | Saturday Jan 11 | 11:30am

**COM** | Saturday Feb 8 | 11:30am

## BLOCK PARTY

Pretend that you're the architect! Build whatever you like using your imagination and a variety of blocks. **All ages**

**COM** | Sunday Jan 12 | 11:30am

**STAM** | Sunday Feb 9 | 11:30am

## SHAKE, SHIMMY & DANCE **R**

Make some noise and bring your dancing shoes for our music and movement storytime! **Ages 2-6**

**STAM** | Mondays Jan 13 - Feb 10 | 9:15am

**COM** | Wednesdays Jan 15 - Feb 19 | 10:30am

## 1S, 2S & 3S **R**

Join us for songs, stories, music and activities. **Ages 1-3**

**COM** | Mondays Jan 13 - Feb 10 | 10:30am

**VIC** | Tuesdays Jan 14 - Feb 18 | 10:30am

**CHIP ARENA** | Wednesdays Jan 15 - Feb 19 | 10:30am

**STAM** | Thursdays Jan 16 - Feb 20 | 9:15am

## BABYTIME **R**

Have fun with music, rhymes, tickles and bounces. Let us introduce you and your baby to a variety of pre-reading activities that will build literacy skills! **Ages 0-1**

**VIC** | Mondays Jan 13 - Feb 10 | 1:30pm

**COM** | Thursdays Jan 16 - Feb 20 | 1:30pm

## FAMILY STORYTIME **R**

Join us for a fun, interactive storytime. Families will participate in songs, fingerplays, stories, and hands-on activities. **All ages**

**VIC** | Mondays Jan 13 - Feb 10 | 6:30pm

## AFTER SCHOOL KIDS CLUB

Hang out, play games, and do crafts with your friends! **Ages 6+**

**CHIP ARENA** | Wednesdays Jan 15 - Feb 19 | 4pm

## READING BUDDIES **R**

A fun, weekly program that gives children one-to-one reading practice with a teen Reading Buddies volunteer. **Ages 5-10**

**STAM** | Thursdays Jan 16 - Feb 20 | 4pm

## FUN FOR ONES **R**

For babies who are walking and talking and their adult caregiver. Join us for songs, stories, music and activities **Ages 1-2**

**VIC** | Fridays Jan 24 - Feb 28 | 10:30am\*

\*Excluding Feb 14

## PD DAY DROP-IN FUN

Have some fun at the library on your day off from school! Board games, crafts, obstacle challenges..

Who knows what we'll do! **All ages**

**VIC, CHIP ARENA, COM, STAM** |

Fridays Jan 17, Feb 14 | 10am

## CREATION STATION

If you can imagine it, you can create it.

We supply everything you need. **All ages**

**VIC** | Saturday Jan 18 | 11:30am

**CHIP ARENA** | Saturday Feb 22 | 11:30am

### POP OF POINTILLISM **R**

Discover the art of Pointillism in this fun class for kids! Learn to create amazing pictures using just dots of colour. All materials included. Perfect for young artists.

**Ages 6+**

**VIC | Tuesday Jan 14 | 4pm**

### FAMILY LITERACY DAY FUN

Spend some family time together reading and engaging in activities based on the works of Barbara Reid. **All ages**

**CHIP ARENA | Saturday Jan 25 | 11:30am**

### JIGSAW PUZZLE JUNCTION

Families can choose from an assortment of puzzles to complete together. **All ages**

**VIC | Sunday Jan 26 | 11:30am**

### HOURLY OF CODE **R**

Join us for this one hour introduction to computer science! Together, we'll learn the basics of coding and work through an online project so you can practice your new coding skills. **Ages 6+**

**VIC | Wednesday Jan 29 | 4pm**

### PRINCESS STORYTIME **R**

Visit with us for a magical storytime experience! Children will be enchanted as they listen to tales of adventure, kindness, and courage, all read by a real-life princess. **Ages 5+**

**STAM | Saturday, Feb 1 | 11:30am**

### MESSY MASTERPIECES

It's time to get messy! Using a variety of creative materials and your imagination, get ready to make your unique masterpiece. **All ages**

**COM | Sunday Feb 2 | 11:30am**

### GUIDED ART CLASS **R**

Welcome to our fun-filled paint class just for kids! Young artists will unleash their creativity and learn basic painting techniques in a guided environment. Everyone will get the chance to create their own piece of art on canvas. **Ages 9+**

**VIC | Tuesday Feb 11 | 4pm**

### FAMILY DAY FUN FEST

Family Day at the library! NFPL will have a selection of games, puzzles and art supplies available for families to play, build and create together. **All ages**

**VIC, COM, STAM | Monday, Feb 17 | 12pm**

### SENSORY PLAY SUNDAY

A slippery, sticky, hands-on experience.

Dress to get messy. **All ages**

**VIC | Sunday Feb 23 | 11:30am**

## LEGO® ROBOTICS

### BEGINNER **R**

Children and caregivers work together to learn some basics of coding and robotics using LEGO® WeDo 1.0.

**Ages 5+**

**VIC | Tuesday Feb 25 | 4pm**

### ESSENTIAL **R**

Continue learning the basics of coding and robotics with our LEGO® robotic kits - SPIKE Essential. **Ages 6+**

**VIC | Tuesday Jan 7 | 4pm**

### ADVANCED **R**

Mastered the beginner LEGO® WeDo builds? Ready for more? Try your hand at WeDo 2.0. **Ages 8+**

**VIC | Tuesday Feb 4 | 4pm**

## TEENS

### TRIVIA & HOT CHOCOLATE BAR **R**

You'll be quizzed on the best (and worst!) moments of 2024. Questions will include pop culture, books and media, and major events. Make a warm drink at our hot chocolate bar. **Ages 9+**

**VIC | Thursday Jan 2 | 1pm**

### SWITCHED ON GAMERS

Work together. Battle it out. Test your skills on our Nintendo Switch. **Ages 9+**

**VIC | Friday Jan 3 | 1pm**

### READING BUDDIES **R**

A fun, weekly program that gives teens an opportunity to earn volunteer hours while helping kids with reading.

**Ages 13+**

**STAM | Thursdays Jan 16 - Feb 20 | 4pm**

### SECRETS TO SCHOLARSHIPS **R**

There are more scholarships available than you may think, and can be a game changer for a student's career and financial well-being. This presentation will help empower attendees with information to find and win scholarships. Presented by Christopher Grafos, the founder of BridgesEDU Scholarships. **Ages 14+**

**STAM | Thursday Feb 20 | 6:30pm**



# ADULTS

## CRAFTERNOONS

Join other crafters, knitters, crocheters and artists for an afternoon of creating and learning. Spend the afternoon sharing ideas, chatting and more.

**COM | Mondays | 1:30pm**

**STAM | Tuesdays | 12:30pm**

**VIC | Thursdays | 1pm**

## ENGLISH CONVERSATION CIRCLE

Build speaking confidence and improve English conversation skills at a weekly program offered in partnership with Niagara Folk Arts Multicultural Centre. Make new friends while learning about life in Canada and other programs and events in the community.

**COM | Wednesdays | 3:30pm**

## NEWCOMER ENGLISH CLUB

Build speaking confidence and improve English conversation skills in our weekly program. Make new friends while learning about life in Canada and other programs and events in the community.

**VIC | Thursdays | 2pm**

## CHESS CLUB

Drop in and enjoy a friendly game of chess with other adults. No experience? No problem! Get some pointers from our resident chess enthusiasts. Chess sets provided, but players are also welcome to bring their own. **Ages 16+**

**COM | Thursdays | 3pm**

## GAME CAFE

Join us for an afternoon of games, coffee, and laughs. Try your hand at Scrabble, Battleship, brain puzzles, card games and more.

**CHIP ARENA | Fridays | 2pm**

## PAINTING WITH DONNA **R**

Join our very special paint class run by Donna. The program will take place in person at the Chippawa Arena where Donna will offer instruction virtually. Recreate a beautiful painting through step-by-step instructions. All materials included.

**CHIP ARENA | Mondays Jan 6, Feb 24 | 10am**

## HATHA YOGA **R**

### ALL LEVELS

Join us for a gentle Hatha Yoga class. This class will focus on pictures and movement that will help stretch and strengthen your body, bring you into alignment and quiet your mind, allowing you to feel refreshed and ready to enjoy your day. Please bring your own yoga mat and arrive 5 minutes early.

**STAM | Tuesdays Jan 7, 14, 21, 28 | 9:15am**

## CHAIR YOGA **R**

Come enjoy a gentle yoga class that focuses on increasing your range of motion and mobility, while sitting on a chair or standing. You will feel refreshed, calm, and ready to enjoy your day. Please bring your own yoga mat and arrive 5 minutes early.

**STAM | Wednesdays Jan 8, 15, 22, 29 | 9:15am**

## STRING ART **R**

Using wood, hammers, nails and string we will create a beautiful piece of art for you to display!

**VIC | Thursday Jan 9 | 6:30pm**

## PUZZLE MAKING DROP IN

Join us for a fun afternoon of puzzle making and laughter.

**CHIP ARENA | Mondays Jan 13 - Feb 10 | 1pm\***

**\*except Jan 27**

## NEUROGRAPHIC ART **R**

Neurographic Art is a relaxing art form that allows participants to create interesting abstract art. It is a peaceful and calming experience.

**VIC | Tuesdays Jan 14, Feb 11 | 10am**

## FINANCIAL LITERACY WORKSHOP **R**

This Financial Literacy Workshop will look at budgeting, how to understand credit scores, smart saving strategies and provide an introduction to investing. There will also be a Q&A at the end with take home resources and toolkits for continued learning.

**VIC | Wednesdays Jan 15 - Feb 12 | 6pm**

## COMPUTERS FOR BEGINNERS

### GOOGLE PRODUCTS **R**

In this session you will learn about the free Google products you have access to with your Gmail account. This will include a quick overview of Google Sheets, Google Docs, Google Slides and Google Drive. A Gmail account is required to take this class.

**VIC | Monday Jan 6 | 2pm**

### EMAIL HELP **R**

In this session you will practice basic email functions including send, read, reply, forward, delete email, review how junk mail works and learn to attach files.

**VIC | Monday Feb 3 | 2pm**

### DIY DECOUPAGE FRIDGE MAGNET **R**

Make your own fridge magnets! Bring your own images to collage or use what we have!

**VIC | Thursday Feb 6 | 6:30pm**

### PIANO CONCERT

Please join us in welcoming Luis Gonzalez as he and his friends perform a piano concert. At 12:30pm Luis will speak about the music he is about to play including the history and information about the composers. The concert will officially begin at 1pm.

**VIC | Saturdays Jan 18, Feb 15 | 12:30pm**

### ACRYLIC LANDSCAPE PAINTING **R**

Join us for a relaxing session, exploring with paints. Recreate a beautiful landscape painting through step-by-step instructions. All materials provided.

**VIC | Wednesday Jan 29 | 10am**

### NEWCOMER BOOK CLUB **R**

Join our Newcomer Book Club where we read short stories together, expand our vocabulary, build confidence in reading longer books, and make new friends. No need to read anything beforehand—just come and enjoy the experience.

**VIC | Tuesday Jan 28 | 2pm**

## ADULTS

### DUNGEONS & DRAGONS **R**

Join in on the action and adventure as we campaign our way through the world of Dungeons and Dragons. No previous gaming experience required!

**VIC | Thursday Jan 23 - Feb 13 | 6:30pm**

### ZENTANGLES **R**

Create beautiful works in an easy-to-learn and relaxing way using repetitive patterns.

**VIC | Tuesday Jan 28, Feb 25 | 9:30am**

### LEGAL CLINIC

Free satellite legal clinic brought to you by Niagara Community Legal Clinic.

**Drop in or register by calling 905-682-6635**

**VIC | Thursdays Jan 30, Feb 27 | 1pm**

### CANDLESTICK PAINTING **R**

Explore your creativity in this fun art class focused on painting candlesticks! Experiment with different techniques to decorate and personalize candlesticks, turning them into stunning works of art.

**VIC | Wednesday Feb 12 | 10am**

### CROCHET **R** AMIGURUMI BEE

Come learn how to make an Amigurumi bee! Must have beginner knowledge of crochet. All supplies provided.

**VIC | Thursday Feb 13 | 6:30pm**

### MACRAME ART **R**

Learn the basics of Macrame knots! In this session we will be making a plant holder.

**VIC | Thursday Feb 27 | 6:30pm**

## TECH HELP

Get one-on-one tech help with your phone, tablet, online accounts and more.

To book, visit [nfpl.info/appointments](https://nfpl.info/appointments), call 905-356-8080 or speak to staff at your nearest location

## EDUCATOR RESOURCES

### CLASS VISITS

We offer class visits here at the library, at your school or virtually, whatever works best for you! We can customize a class visit to support your current project or class focus to meet the needs of you and your students.

### EDUCATOR CARD

Educator Library Cards are available to those who teach at K-12 schools or licensed daycare centres and are Niagara Falls residents teaching in the Niagara Region OR Non-residents of Niagara Falls but teaching in Niagara Falls.

### BOOKS TO GO

We can deliver books to your classroom! We can make the selections or you can make suggestions based on a specific topic or project your class is working on.

### CONTACT US!

For more information, or to book a class visit, email [classvisit@nflibrary.ca](mailto:classvisit@nflibrary.ca)

## LOCAL HISTORY

Whether you're researching your family history, local events, or an important figure in Niagara's history, our Local History Collection offers a comprehensive index of selected resources such as historical images, newspaper indexes, art collections, and reference databases.

For research assistance, book a Local History appointment with one of our experts!

**Research fees may apply.**

For more information, visit [nfpl.info/localhistory](https://nfpl.info/localhistory)

## LOCATIONS & HOURS

### HOURS (ALL LOCATIONS)

Monday - Thursday.....9am - 8pm  
Friday.....9am - 5pm  
Saturday - Sunday.....11am - 3pm

### VICTORIA AVENUE

4848 Victoria Ave | 905-356-8080

### COMMUNITY CENTRE

7150 Montrose Rd | 905-371-1200

### STAMFORD CENTRE

3643 Portage Rd | 905-357-0410



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**Chippawa Willoughby Memorial Arena**  
(9000 Sodom Road)

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