

FALL
2024

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER



Registration: Monday, August 26

*For full details on all our programs and events visit
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SCHOOL-AGE and FAMILIES



Boys Council (Grades 5-7)

Led by a facilitator from Stepping Stones, boys will have fun identifying social-emotional messages, experiences, attitudes, and smart options for growing up male in our culture.

Register online. (Program Room)

When: Mondays, Sept. 9-Oct. 7

Time: 4-5 p.m. *No program Sept. 30.*

SCHOLARLY STEAM: Family Edition (Ages 6-12)

Supported by Propak

Kids and their caregivers can explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math together in an engaging blend of hands-on workshops, interactive experiments, and creative projects. *Young children must be accompanied by a helpful grown-up.*

Register online. (Program Room)

When: Tuesdays, Sept. 10-Oct. 15; **Time:** 4-5 p.m.

Crochet it Up! (Ages 9-14)

Join us for a creative experience where young crochet enthusiasts can unleash their imaginations and express themselves through yarn. **Register online. (Program Room)**

When: Wednesdays, Sept. 11-Oct. 16; **Time:** 4-5 p.m.



Jr. Artist

Kids will make a modge podge fabric bowl in this 2-part program. The complexity of the project is matched to each age group. Be sure to attend both days to complete your bowl. **Register online. (Program Room)**

Group A (6-8 years): Thursdays, Sept. 12 and 19; 4-5 p.m.

Group B (9-12 years): Thursdays, Sept. 26 and Oct. 3; 4-5 p.m.

Group C (10-14 years): Thursdays, Oct. 10 and Oct. 17; 4-5 p.m.

LEGO Club (Ages 5-12)

Enjoy LEGO challenges and creative building. Ages 5-12.

Register online. (Program Room)

When: Fridays, Sept. 13-Oct. 11; **Time:** 2:30-3:30 p.m. (No program Oct. 18)

TEENS

Friday Night Hangout

Tired of the same old Friday nights? Level up at the library's Friday Night Hangout! This is your space to chill, meet friends, and eat snacks. You'll find something fun to do here. Come and make this your go-to spot for hanging out and having a great time! For ages 13 to 17. **Register online.**

When: Fridays, **Time:** 6-8 p.m.

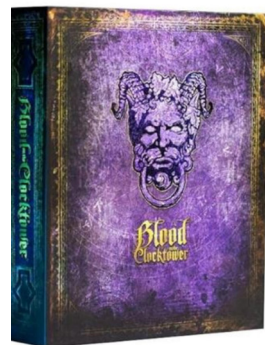


Murder Mystery Party: *Blood on the Clock Tower*

Supported by Kiwanis Club of Airdrie

Blood on the Clocktower is a bluffing game enjoyed by 5 to 20 players on opposing teams of Good and Evil, overseen by a Storyteller player who conducts the action and makes crucial decisions. The goal of the game is to successfully deduce and execute the demons before they outnumber the townfolk. **Register online. (Program Room)**

When: Saturday, Oct. 12 **Time:** 5:30-7:30 p.m. (After hours)



Special Watch Party for Ages 13+

The Social Dilemma

We tweet, we like, and we share - but what are the consequences of our growing dependence on social media? This docudrama reveals how social media is reprogramming civilization with tech experts sounding the alarm on their own creations. Younger viewers may attend with a parent.

Register online. No library card required. (McCall Room)

When: Thursday, Oct. 24 **Time:** 5:30-7:30 p.m.



IN THE MAKERSPACE



Libby Tutorial: Read eBooks for free with Libby app

In this one hour drop-in session APL staff will show you how you can use your phone, tablet or Kobo to get ebooks and audiobooks from the library using Libby and OverDrive. We recommend that you bring your own device to follow along but this isn't mandatory. **Drop-in. (Makerspace) Supported by TD Bank.**

When: Tuesdays, Sept. 10 and Oct. 8 **Time:** 6-7 p.m.

3D Printer Training

This 90-minute hands-on workshop will prepare and certify you to use our self-serve 3D printer. With the state-of-the-art Bambu Labs 3D printer, you'll learn the steps to turn your idea into reality, from the file to the final print. **Register online. (Makerspace) Supported by TD Bank.**

When: Tuesdays, Sept. 17, Oct 1 & 15; **Time:** 6-7:30 p.m.

Fusion 360 Beginners Course with Phil3D

Unlock your creativity and bring your design ideas to life with our beginner course in Fusion 360. This hands-on workshop is perfect for those new to CAD (Computer-Aided Design) and 3D modeling. **Register online. (Makerspace) Supported by TD Bank.**

When: Mondays, Sept. 23-Nov. 4; **Time:** 6-8 p.m.

Creativebug

Dive into a world of art and craft with Creativebug, the library's FREE resource for online arts and crafts, classes and workshops. **Drop-in. (Makerspace) Supported by TD Bank.**

When: Tuesday, Sept. 24; **Time:** 6-7 p.m.

Coding with Minecraft EDU: (Ages 8-13)

Minecraft EDU is a powerful tool for learning. Engage in hands-on activities that teach coding, problem-solving, teamwork, and creativity. Whether you're an experienced player or new to the game, you'll explore educational challenges, build amazing projects, and develop valuable skills in a fun and interactive environment. **Register online. (Makerspace)**

Supported by TD Bank.

When: Thursdays, Sept. 12-Oct 17, **Times:** 1-3 p.m. or 4:30-6:30 p.m.



Tech Tuesday

Tech Tuesday is a weekly drop-in session at the library where you can get free, hands-on assistance with your technology questions and challenges. Our knowledgeable staff is on hand to help with: Basic computer skills, Smartphone and tablet troubleshooting, E-reader support, Library technology.

No appointment necessary! Just drop by the Makerspace during our designated hours and we'll be happy to help.

When: Tuesdays, Sept. 10-Oct. 15 **Time:** 3-5 p.m. & 8-9 p.m.



LITERACY PROGRAMS *and PRESCHOOL RESOURCES 2024* September & October



Pull this
section out
to keep
handy!



PRESCHOOL - Fall registration starts Monday, Aug. 26.

Supported by Vitreous Glass Inc

Mondays

Babytime **NEW!**
(Birth-12 months)
9:45 a.m.
(Program Room)

Rhymes & Songs
10 a.m. Drop-in
(Children's Area)

Busy Babies **NEW!**
(Birth-12 months)
11 a.m.
(Program Room)

Preschool
Storytime A
1 p.m.
(Program Room)

Tuesdays

Baby and Me **NEW!**
(Birth-6 months)
9:45 a.m.
(McCall Room)

Toddler time
(1-3 years)
A: 9:45 a.m.

B: 11 a.m.
(Program Room)

Creative Hands
and Minds A
1:15 p.m.
(Program Room)

Wednesdays

Wiggle
Wednesday
9:45-10:30 a.m.
(Program Room)
Sept. 11 & Oct. 13

Kids in Motion
9:45 a.m.
(Program Room)

Creative Hands
and Minds B
11 a.m.
(Program Room)

Thursdays

Preschool
Storytime B
11 a.m.
(Program Room)

Rhymes & Songs
10 a.m.
Drop-in
(Children's Area)

Crafty Kids
1 p.m.
(Program Room)

Fridays

Unplug & Play
9:45 a.m.
(Program Room)

NOTE:
No
programs
Sept. 30
and Oct. 14.

**NOTE: a valid APL card is required to register.
Register online for only one session, A or B.**

Travelling Tales and Tunes

Can't make it out to the library? No problem! Embark on a literary adventure with Travelling Tales and Tunes, a mobile library program specially designed for young families where we will create a vibrant space for children and parents to explore the magic of literature together. Ages 5 and under. **Register online.**

When: Mondays, Sept. 9-Oct. 14

Time: 1-1:45 p.m. (**Cedarwood Station**)

(No program Sept. 30 and Oct. 14)



PRESCHOOL - Session starts Monday, Aug. 26.

PUMPKIN PALOOZA



Join us for a spooktacular evening of games, crafts, and themed story time! All activities are free and open to the public.

Supported by Kiwanis Airdrie Foothills.

When: Friday, Oct. 25; **Time:** 6-7:30 p.m.

Infant Massage

In partnership with Blessingways Family Wellness



Learn the loving art of infant massage and improve bonding time with your baby. Babies who are massaged regularly sleep better, digest their food better, and have improved brain stimulation. **Register online.** (Program Room)

When: Tuesdays, Sept. 3 and Oct. 22
Time: 10-10:45 a.m.

ADULTS

Unlock Your Immigrant Advantage

In partnership with Immigrant Techies Alberta

This interactive workshop will show you how to leverage your unique background and experiences as an immigrant to craft a powerful Unique Value Proposition, just like businesses do for their products and services. **Register online. No Library card required. (Program Room)**

When: Tuesday, Sept. 10; **Time:** 7-8:30 p.m.

Wii and Tales for the Tall

A drop-in program of Wii Sports and interactive stories for adults with differing abilities and their caregivers. **(Program Room) Supported by Airdrie 1st Club**

When: Wednesdays, Sept. 11-Oct. 16; 1-2:30 p.m.

Airdrie's Social Cinema

A community film club offering film lovers the chance to watch and celebrate classic, world, and arthouse films that you might otherwise not know about. **Register online. (Program Room)**

Movie: *Reel Injun*; **When:** Wednesday, Sept. 18; **Time:** 6:15-8:30 p.m.

Movie: *Last Year in Marienbad*; **When:** Wednesday, Oct. 16; **Time:** 6:15-8:30 p.m.

Retained Primitive Reflex and your Child

Join pediatric-focused chiropractors from Blessingways Family Wellness as they discuss Retained Primitive Reflex and what you can do to help your child feel better in his/her body.

When: Two sessions (choose one): Oct. 3 or Nov. 14.; **Time:** 6:30-8 p.m.

Voice and Vision: an evening of writing and art

Supported by Alberta Culture Days

Join us for a celebration of the 9th annual Voice and Vision Collaboration. This is the public's opportunity to see the artwork displayed for the first time, hear the written pieces in the author's own voice, and interact with this year's participants.

When: Saturday, Sept. 21; **Time:** 6-9 p.m.

Workshops

Writing to Art Process Workshop

Artist Deborah Lawton will show how to translate a written piece into artwork. **Register online.**

When: Wednesday Sept. 25; **Time:** 6 p.m.

Active Creation Workshop

Writer Sheila Humphrey will show how to respond creatively to an image or phrase. **Register online.**

When: Thursday, Sept. 26; **Time:** 6:15 p.m.



SPECIAL ADULT EVENT

A Pink Tea:

A celebration of 95 years of women as 'persons'

October 18 is Persons Day in Canada. Bring your daughter, bring your mother, bring your aunt, bring your best friend or come alone and let's celebrate together the historic decision to include women in the legal definition of 'persons.'

Historically, gatherings known as Pink Teas were occasions for women to organize and strategize in their pursuit of women's rights. A pink tea offered the disguise of a frivolous social affair that men avoided so these teas provided an occasion for women to have courageous conversations.

In the morning, we welcome you to simply come and enjoy the company of other women around tea and treats. Or dress as a woman you admire. Or bring your embroidery or knitting or felting or beading or table-top game and engage in some craftivism: the activity of using crafts (sewing or making things yourself using your hands) often used as a cover to achieve political or social change.

Register online. No library card required. (Program Room)

When: Friday, Oct. 18; **Time:** 10 a.m.-Noon



A talk by Dr. Patrina Duhaney

Dr. Patrina Duhaney is a distinguished educator, scholar, activist and chair of the Anti-Black Racism Task Force in the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Calgary.

Register online. No library card required. (Program Room)

When: Friday, Oct. 18; **Time:** 1 p.m.



A talk by Aritha van Herk

Aritha van Herk is the author of five feminist novels: *Judith*, *The Tent Peg*, *No Fixed Address*, *Places Far From Ellesmere*, and *Restlessness*, as well as the irreverent but relevant history of Alberta, *Mavericks: An Incurable History of Alberta*.

Register online. No library card required. (Program Room)

When: Friday, Oct. 18; **Time:** 3 p.m.



ADULTS

Courageous Conversations Book Club

Guided by The Amnesty International Book Club project, this new book club brings people together to talk about big issues affecting our world and our communities. **Register online. (Makerspace)**

When: Mondays, Sept. 9 & Nov. 4; **Time:** 7-8:30 p.m. (See booklist online)



Caregivers Peer Support Group

In partnership with Caregivers Alberta, this in-person support group is for family or friends who are caregivers. **Drop-in. No library card required. (McCall Room)**

When: Mondays, Oct. 7 & 21; **Time:** Noon-1:30 p.m.

Managing Anxiety and Stress

In partnership with Primary Healthcare Network, learn practical strategies to help you use your stress response to help meet your goals. **Register online. (Program Room)**

When: Tuesday, Oct. 22; **Time:** 3-5 p.m.

Courageous Conversations Around Death

Join us for a discussion with a Registered Nurse from Death Maven on the conversation around the “before” of death. **Register online. No library card required. (Program Room)**

When: Wednesday, Oct. 23; **Time:** 7-8:30 p.m.

Art Therapy for Those Grieving

In partnership with Vecova

Whether you have recently lost a pet or a loved one, or you’ve experienced grief throughout your life, you are invited to attend this workshop.

Register online. (Program Room)

When: Monday, Oct. 28; **Time:** 7-8:30 p.m.

Grief Bites

In partnership with Primary Healthcare Network, learn strategies to help with the grieving process and about support through provincial programs. **Register online. (Program Room)**

When: Tuesday, Oct. 29; **Time:** 3-5 p.m.

Writer-in-Residence

Get your writing ready for a 1:1 consultation with Kimmy Beach throughout the month of November.

Manuscript consultation dates are Nov. 6, 13, 19 & 26.

Registration for submissions opens online Oct. 15.

Beach will also be offering a writing workshop series on *Understanding the World of Writing*. **Writing workshop dates** are Nov. 7, 12, 18 & 27.

Registration for workshops begins Oct. 15.



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CLUBS & GROUPS

Adult Afternoon Chess Club (Drop-in)

A chess club for adults of all skill levels. Boards are available but feel free to bring your own.

When: Tuesdays, 2-4 p.m. (McCall Room)

Adult Scrabble Club (Drop-in)

All adult Scrabble players welcome.

When: Wednesdays, 6:30-8:15 p.m.
(Junior Area Makerspace)

Airdrie Writers Group (Drop-in)

Adults looking to share their writing and get constructive feedback from other writers are welcome.

When: Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m.
(McCall Room)

Be Gay, Do Crafts (Register)

In partnership with Airdrie Pride Society

(Last Tuesday of the month. All ages)
When: Sept. 24, Oct. 29; 6:30-8:15 p.m.
(Program Room)

Board Gay-mers (Register)

In partnership with Airdrie Pride Society

Party A - first Saturday of the month
Party B - third Saturday of the month
Times: 2 p.m.
(Makerspace. All ages.)

Chess Club (Drop-in)

All ages welcome, boards are available but feel free to bring your own.

When: Tuesdays, 6:30-8 p.m.
(Program Room/McCall Room)

Conversation Circle (Drop-in)

In partnership with South Central Adult Learning Society

Practice your English and meet people in a friendly, relaxed setting.

When: Thursdays, Sept. 12-Nov. 28
1:30-3:30 p.m. (McCall Room)

Cribbage Club (Drop-in)

No experience required.

When: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays
1:30-3 p.m. (McCall Room)

Genealogy Club (NEW DAY)

Learn how to build your family tree and preserve your family history for future generations.

When: Wednesdays
Sept. 11, Oct. 9; 7-8:15 p.m.
(Program Room)

Knitters Club (Drop-in)

New members welcome.

When: Thursdays; 6:30-8:15 p.m.
(Program Room)

Monday Morning Book Club (Drop-in)

Last Monday of the month

When: Sept. 23, Oct. 28; 10 a.m.
See booklist online. (McCall Room)

Senior Coffee and Conversation (Drop-in)

Supported by Blue Fern Denture Clinic

A bi-weekly program providing seniors with access to open conversation space.
When: Wednesdays
Sept. 11, 25 & Oct. 9, 23, (Fireplace)

Wednesday Morning Book Club

Last Wednesday of the month.

When: Sept. 25 & Oct. 30; 10 a.m.
(McCall Room) See booklist online.

Wednesday Night Book Club (Drop-in)

(First Wednesday of the month.)

When: Sept. 4 & Oct. 2; 6:30-8:15 p.m.
See booklist online. (Program Room)



Scan this QR code for full details on all APL clubs.



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New Hours

Beginning July 2

Monday to Friday

9:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Saturday

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday

1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

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