

Connect

2022

SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER



Things are Back in Full Swing at Your Library!

New Hours of Operation will Begin on September 19 (page two).

- Have a look inside for details about our upcoming new, innovative and free programs, services and collections.
- Our new CEO, Richard Togman, is now on the job! We offer a warm welcome to him as he begins his work.
- We have a new multimedia studio at Brodie that offers amazing equipment for filming, recording, playing instruments, and more!
- Connect, the Library's newsletter, has a new look and is being mass printed for the first time since early 2020. The newsletter will be distributed to 32 outlets in the City for convenient pick up - including all library locations, of course! We will also continue to publish a digital version. To subscribe, send an email to newsletter@tbpl.ca



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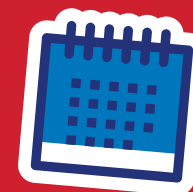


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new hours



NEW Hours of Operation Starting on September 19

Starting on Monday, September 19 we are expanding our hours to meet community needs for library service during the evenings and to offer space where we can do programming on Saturdays. The new hours will be:

Waverley Community Hub

Monday & Tuesday 9:30 am - 8 pm
Wednesday to Saturday 9:30 am - 5 pm

County Park Community Hub

Monday to Wednesday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Thursday 12:30 pm - 8 pm
Friday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Saturday Closed

Brodie Community Hub

Monday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Tuesday & Wednesday 9:30 am - 8 pm
Thursday & Friday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Saturday Closed

Mary J.L. Black Community Hub

Monday & Tuesday 9:30 am - 5 pm
Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 am - 8 pm
Friday & Saturday 9:30 am - 5 pm

Current Hours of Operation

Library hours of operation from now until September 18 can be found online at www.tbpl.ca/hours

Bookmarks with current and upcoming hours of operation are also available at all locations.

Staff Training - September 14 County Park and Brodie Closed

TBPL has always provided opportunities for staff training and education on a wide range of topics. From de-escalation training, incident debriefing, leadership, to customer service training, TBPL staff are always gaining new skills and accessing development opportunities to enhance the way they do their work and provide service to the community.

Staff training will be taking place on September 14. In order to facilitate this training, County Park and Brodie will be closed. Waverley and Mary J.L. Black will be open from 9:30 am to 5 pm on that date. We apologize in advance for the inconvenience.

Upcoming Closures

Monday, September 5

Labour Day

Wednesday, September 14

County Park & Brodie will be closed for staff training.

Mary J.L. Black and Waverley will be open from 9:30 am to 5 pm that day.

Friday, September 30

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Monday, October 10

Thanksgiving

Friday, November 11

Remembrance Day

Christmas

All locations will be open:
Friday, December 23 from 10 am to 1 pm

All locations will be closed from Saturday, December 24 to Monday, January 2, inclusive.

All branches will resume regular hours of operation on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

new CEO



Welcome to TBPL!
Dr. Richard Togman

The Board of the Thunder Bay Public Library is pleased to announce that the new CEO has been selected. The search for the new CEO resulted in the appointment of Dr. Richard Togman. Togman is now on the job and looks forward to meeting staff and the community in his new role.

Togman's educational background includes a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Economics from Wilfred Laurier University, a Master of Arts in Political Science from Carleton, and a PhD from the University of British Columbia in Political Science.

Togman's work experience includes being Co-Founder/CEO of Rent Panda; Research and Policy Coordinator with the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce; Consultant with PARO Centre for Women's Enterprises and the New Directions Speakers School and sessional lecturer at Lakehead University and the University

of British Columbia. He was also a 2nd Lieutenant in the Canadian Armed Forces. He has been recognized by the local business community for innovation and entrepreneurship. Togman won the 2022 Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce Small Business Excellence Award; the 2020 Northern Ontario Visionary Award for business and professional achievement; the 2019 New Business Excellence award from the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce; and the 2018 Innovative Company of the Year award from the Northwestern Ontario Innovation Centre.

Togman has demonstrated experience in leadership, strategic planning, marketing, communication, advocacy, and physical infrastructure development.

The Board and Staff at the Thunder Bay Public Library offer a warm welcome to Dr. Togman as he begins his new position.



PURPOSE

Everyone has the right to access the resources and services they need to learn, express themselves creatively, and reach their full potential.



VISION

The Public Library will be an inclusive, safe and welcoming community hub built around trust, understanding and collaboration to meet the community's needs.



MISSION

We are facilitators for the needs of our community. We partner with our community and strive to meet everyone's needs for research, creativity, entertainment and support services.



VALUES

We are...
Inspired by our Community
Welcoming
Inclusive
Helpful
Sharers of Knowledge



new stuff



Adult

What You Won't do for Love

by David Suzuki

The Encyclopedia of Misinformation

by Rex Sorgatz

Backroads of Ontario by Ron Brown

The Garden Refresh by Kier Holmes

Unconditional: A Guide to Loving and Supporting Your LGBTQ Child

by Telaina Eriksen

Trapped by Camilla Lackberg

Shattered by James Patterson & James O. Born

Listen to Me by Tess Gerritsen

Into the Mist by P.C. Cast

The Hidden One by Linda Castillo

Children

Mushroom Rain by Laura K. Zimmermann

I Forgive Alex by Kerascoët

Bathe the Cat by Alice B. McGinty

Bad Kitty Gets A Phone by Nick Bruel

My Kingdom of Darkness by Susan Tan

YOUTH

Grace and Glory by Jennifer L. Armentrout

All the Tides of Fate by Adalyn Grace

This Poison Heart by Kalynn Bayron

Beauty and the Besharam by Lillie Vale

The Counselors by Jessica Goodman

DVDs

The Bad Guys

Everything Everywhere All at Once

Hotel Portofino - Season One

Conviction: The Case of Stephen

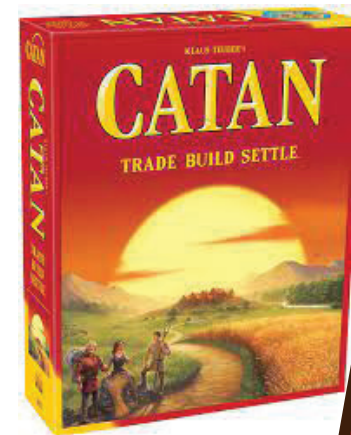
Lawrence

Ambulance

Game On @ Your Library

Want to try a new board game? Find something for friends and family to play? Beginning this fall, the Library will be offering a selection of board and card games to borrow, from Settlers of Catan to Sushi Go, and many more.

This collection will be launched during Public Library week. More details to come in October!



read Canadian

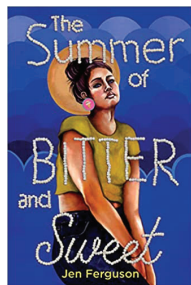
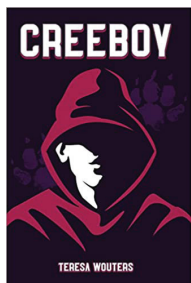


I READ CANADIAN DAY - November 2

I READ CANADIAN DAY is a national day of celebration of Canadian books for young people. This is a day dedicated to reading books by Canadian authors. The purpose of this event is to raise awareness of Canadian books for children and youth and to celebrate the richness, diversity and breadth of Canadian literature. We challenge young people to “Read Canadian” for 15 minutes and to share your experience with the Library and with your families and friends on social media at TBayPL.

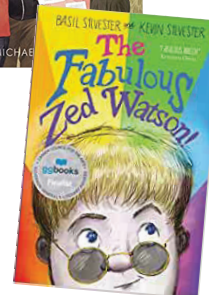
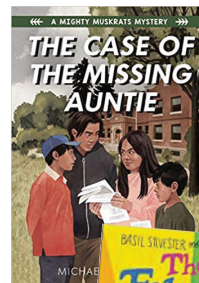
For Youth

Fight Like a Girl by Sheena Kamal
Like Home by Louisa Onomé
Hunting by Stars by Cherie Dimaline
The Queen of Junk Island by Alexandra Mae Jones
Creeboy by Teresa Wouters
You Don't Have to Die in the End
by Anita Daher
The Summer of Bitter and Sweet
by Jen Ferguson
Rachel Bird by Becky Citra
Sulfur Heart by Brooke Carter
Misfit in Love by S.K. Ali
Grave Message by Mary Jennifer Payne
World's Worst Parrot by Alice Kuipers
Made in Korea by Sarah Suk



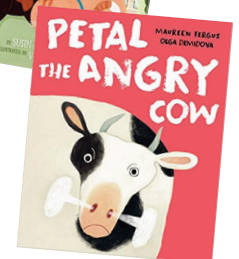
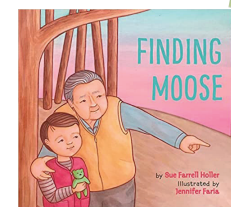
Kids' Fiction

The Barren Grounds by David A. Robertson
The Case of the Missing Auntie
by Michael Hutchinson
Be a Good Ancestor by Leona Prince
& Gabrielle Prince
Dear Peter, Dear Ulla by Barbara Nickel
A Royal Guide to Monster Slaying
by Kelley Armstrong
Me Three by Susan Juby
The Fabulous Zed Watson! by Basil Sylvester
Kevin Sylvester.
Trip of the Dead by Angela Misri



Picture Books

We all Play by Julie Flett
That's Not my Name! by Syed Anoosha
All Cats Welcome by Susin Nielsen
The Family Tree by Sean Dixon
Finding Moose by Sue Farrell Holler
Professor Goose Debunks Goldilocks and the Three Bears by Paulette Bourgeois
& Olga Demidova
The Doll by Nhung N. Tran-Davies
The Artist and Me by Shane Peacock
(Local)
When I Listen to Silence by Jean E. Pendziwol (Local)



diversity & inclusion



New Staff - REDI Librarian and Safer Spaces Technicians

You may have seen some of our new staff, REDI (Anti-Racism, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion) Librarian Jenna Johns, and Safer Spaces Technician Dwayne McNish in local media earlier this year speaking about the initiatives at TBPL to build safer and more equitable spaces for our patrons and community. Another team member also joined us in May - James Czank, a former member of the SOS team.

This team has specialized training and knowledge in working with vulnerable populations, for example: those experiencing homelessness, working through addiction or other crises, people with exceptional needs, and more. Dwayne and James bring a variety of pre-existing relationships with organizations and individuals working to support people in need. Since they are both familiar with the downtown cores, they already know many of the patrons we see each day and have helped us by sharing their knowledge. They help navigate through the needs of patrons with empathy and are often able to de-escalate conflict before it arises. Like all of our staff, these are caring individuals who go the extra mile to ensure service at the library meets the needs of the whole community.

Supportive Partnerships

We are partnering with Alpha Court and the Canadian Mental Health Association to provide onsite support to patrons in need.

Each week, service providers are at the Brodie Library to support patrons with things like housing applications, court diversion programming, resumé building, counseling, and more.

We are actively seeking out new organizations to partner with to offer service and support to library patrons while they are at the Library. Contact Amy at 684-6811 for more information.

Alpha Court - Joanne Boucher
Thursdays 1 pm - 4 pm

Canadian Mental Health Association - Nicole Stewart
Fridays 1 pm - 4 pm

Vox Popular Media Arts Festival



For more information visit
www.VOXPOPULAR.ca

indigenous programs



Book Launch and Signings Brodie Indigenous Knowledge Centre

September 20 @ 6 pm - 7:45 pm
Wabanang: An Anishinaabe Granddaughter's Search for the Truth

Join Indigenous author Judii Merle, for the book launch, meet and greet, reading, Q & A, and signing of her first novel. Enjoy light snacks and refreshments.



December 6 @ 6 pm - 7:45 pm
Little Sparrow's Cloak of Many Feathers

Join local author, Vicky Reed, for a short reading, signing, and Q & A. This is a fictional children's book about a young Ojibway girl named Little Sparrow. Light snacks and refreshments provided while supply lasts.



Mini Orange Shirts Display
Brodie Indigenous Knowledge Centre
Friday, September 9 @ 3 pm - 4:45 pm

Join us in acknowledging the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30), better known as Orange Shirt Day, in honour and commemoration of the lost children and survivors of Residential Schools. Visit us to post an orange shirt on our window with your name or the name of a loved one in recognition and memory.

Run Woman Run Film Screening

Mary J.L. Black
Community Program Room
October 19 @ 5:30 pm

Enjoy a free film! Run Woman Run, directed by Indigenous filmmaker Zoe Hopkins, is about a single mother who learns how to reclaim her dreams, family and honour her life all thanks to an unlikely coach.



Create a Vision Board
Brodie Indigenous Knowledge Centre
November 22 @ 6 pm

Each participant will create their own vision board and learn how to set attainable goals. Supplies and resources will be provided. Register beginning November 14 online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person, or call 345-8275. Registration ends Nov. 18.

Indigenous Action Council

Brodie Studio 216
Tuesdays @ 6:15 pm
• **September 27**
• **October 25**
• **November 29**
• **December 13**

Find Your Voice - Talking Sticks

Brodie Indigenous Knowledge Centre
October 4 @ 6 pm

Choose from a variety of woods or bring your own stick. Using natural elements such as feathers, twine and hide, combined with paint and beads (optional), you can design, learn about and build your very own talking stick. A sharing circle will complete the activity.

TRC Learning Bundles September 26

Help us work towards truth and reconciliation by educating yourself on the long lasting impacts of the Residential School System in Canada. Register beginning September 12 by calling 345-8275, in person at any location or online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar Registration ends Sept. 16. Specify which library location you would like to pick up your bundle when registering.



info for teachers



Visit the Library with your Class

Library staff are available to meet with your class to provide students with an introduction to the Library and to learn about our collection and services. We can also offer interactive storytelling, scavenger hunts or puppet shows for your class to enjoy.

Older grades can request short information tutorials for resources like Tumblebooks, Kanopy Kids, and Gale In Context: Elementary.

To request a class visit booking please contact your preferred branch by telephone at 345-8275 or by email:

County Parkcpark@tbpl.ca
Brodiebrodie@tbpl.ca
Mary J.L. Blackmjlb@tbpl.ca
Waverleywaverley@tbpl.ca

If you are an educator who wants more information about library membership for your students, please call Amy at 684-6811 or email her at aongaro@tbpl.ca

Workshops for Secondary Schools

Library staff are available to visit your class to provide an introduction to Library services, workshops, and more!

Educators can choose between the following two workshops:

Research 101

Enhance the research skills of your students by having Library staff walk them through a live how-to session using academic resources. Useful for preparing students to write essays, prepare works cited lists, projects, independent studies, and more. Both online collections and print material will be used.

Information Literacy

C.R.A.A.P. - Currency, relevancy, authority, accuracy, and purpose. Fake news ... alternative facts. Digital and media literacy is critical for students to learn. This workshop is ideal for grades 9-12.

Email schools@tbpl.ca to book!

THINK Hub

Tinker, Hack, Innovate, Network, and Know with the THINK Hub at Brodie!

Challenges require building, making, testing, problem-solving, and an opportunity for creativity and out-of-the-box thinking.

You can visit the library with your class and book the Tremendous Towers or Bridges program. These support the Grades 3-5 Structures and Mechanisms stands of the Ontario curriculum. To book, call Brodie at 345-8275 or email thinkhub@tbpl.ca



Stories of Anishinaabe Resilience (SOAR)

The TBPL Stories of Anishinaabe Resilience (SOAR) curriculum development for grades 9 to 12 is now available for classroom use.

The St. Joseph's Residential School Unit Plan comes with a Teacher's Guide, Student Workbook and Consolidation Card as well as corresponding presentations.

To access the curriculum package, contact Robyn Medicine, Community Hub Librarian, via email to rmedicine@tbpl.ca or call 684-6812.

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special events



Student Membership Drive - Switch-it-Up This Fall!

Using your library gives you another chance to win a Nintendo Switch!

Students attending any local or rural elementary, secondary or post secondary school are encouraged to sign up for, use, or renew their library card to earn ballots for a chance to win a Nintendo Switch.

Every time a student uses their library card from September 5 to November 30, they will earn a ballot for the free draw.

The winner of the first student membership drive draw, held in early July, was Ari N. He was thrilled with his new Nintendo Switch! Congratulations to Ari!



Your First Ticket to WIN!

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Earn extra ballots every time you use your library card by November 30th.



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Customer Appreciation Day - October 18

October 16 to October 22 is Ontario Public Library Week and we're celebrating! Join us on Tuesday, October 18th for Customer Appreciation Day! Drop in to any library location for refreshments, door prize draws, and more!

One Card, One Million Possibilities!

Ontario Public Library Week

LA SEMAINE DES BIBLIOTHÈQUES PUBLIQUES DE L'ONTARIO



One card, one million possibilities

*Une carte,
un million de
possibilités*

just for YOUTh



Build-A-Beast

Waverley

Mondays 4 pm - 5:30 pm

October 3 & 17

November 7 & 21

December 5 & 19

Give old and broken toys new life and build your own beasts using their parts and pieces! Drop in for grades 5 to 10.

Do you have toys that you wish to donate? Email youth@tbpl.ca and we will gladly take them off your hands.

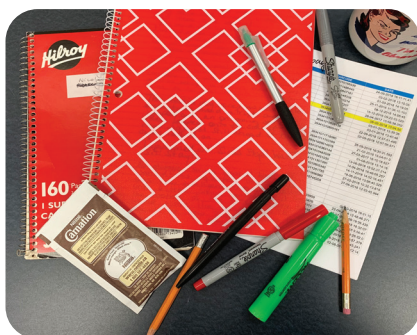
Homework and Hot Chocolate

Mary J.L. Black

Thursdays 4 pm - 7 pm

Weekly beginning October 13

Study or do homework in a calm environment. Hot chocolate will be provided. No homework? We'll supply colouring sheets or word searches! (grades 7-12)



Minecraft

Mondays 6 pm - 8 pm on Discord

Weekly beginning October 17

Join the TBPL Minecraft Realm (bedrock) every Monday starting at 6 to play survival mode. A link to join will be shared via Discord. (grades 8-12)

Minecraft

Tuesdays 3:30 pm - 5 pm

Bi-weekly beginning October 11

Join the TBPL Minecraft Realm (bedrock) every two weeks. A link to join the Realm and optional Zoom chat will be shared via email. (grades 4-7) Email youth@tbpl.ca to sign up.



Anime Club

Tuesdays @ 6 pm on Discord

September 6 - December 13

(no program on November 22)

Come together and share a similar interest in Japanese animated and illustrated media! We will have regular meetings, compete in character battles, trivia games, and provide a chance to share your drawings and cosplay costumes!

Parents and guardians are responsible for determining what programs their teen can attend. If you or your teen are uncomfortable about watching anime rated PG13/14, this club may not be a good fit. Anime often includes violence, strong language and mild nudity. (ages 13-18)

Crafting Club

Mary J.L. Black

Wednesdays 3 pm - 5 pm

Weekly beginning October 12

Stop by after school, make a craft, relax, and eat some snacks. Drop in any time. (grades 7-12)

just for YOUTh



Completely Booked Book Bag Subscriptions

October to January

Get signed up for the limited fall edition Book Bag Subscription! Each month from October to January you'll receive 2 hand-picked library books, candy, and some goodies. Supplies are limited so sign up fast! Registration opens September 7. (ages 12-18)



Dungeons and Dragons

Waverley Library YOUTh Space

Saturdays @ 2:30 pm

October 22

November 12

December 3

Sign up to play Dungeons and Dragons one-shots with other dice lovers. Limited space. Registration opens 2 weeks prior to each event date. Interested in DM'ing a session? Email youth@tbpl.ca (grades 8-12)

Writers Club

Mary J.L. Black

Thursdays 7 pm - 8 pm

Weekly beginning October 13

Calling all creatives! Come to the Library for writers club - writing prompts, games, and more! (grades 8-12)

YOUTh Action Council

Brodie

Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm

September 21

October 12

November 16

December 21

Earn volunteer hours and create a library you want to visit! Attend and help out at meetings, discuss changes, and help plan, attend, and promote library events for YOUTh. Sign up at www.tbpl.ca/youth

YOUTh Knitters

Knit or crochet hats or scarves for those experiencing homelessness and get volunteer hours. Knit a hat - you'll earn 2 hours; a scarf - 3 hours! Sign up for the next session at www.tbpl.ca/youth

YOUTh Review

Help your fellow readers by writing reviews of the books, or movies you love (or hate) for community service hours. What you read and write about is up to you and for each 250-300 word review you write, you'll earn up to 4 volunteer hours. Reviews are posted to our blog. Sign up for the next session at www.tbpl.ca/youth

your hub for creativity
& gaming



rediscover Brodie



If you haven't visited the Brodie Library lately, we encourage you to stop by and have a look at all of the upgrades and improvements.



Bright, updated children's area and shelving.



THINK Hub featuring STEM activities.

New Indigenous Knowledge Centre artwork by Rufus Moonias.



New dedicated YOUTH seating area and shelving.



Science North's THINK Hub.



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Stories of Anishinaabe Resilience Portraits by Brian Michon



Morris Shapwaykeesic



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Children's Indigenous Knowledge Centre

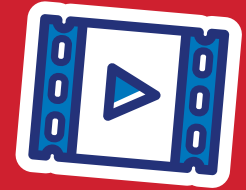
Fully equipped Multimedia Studio



Update on Washroom Renovations at Brodie

Over the summer, the Library has been updating the men's and women's washrooms at Brodie to improve accessibility and to update them with more modern amenities. The work on the men's and women's washrooms will be complete in early September. Work on a fully accessible gender neutral washroom will begin in September and will be complete sometime in October. During the renovations a washroom will always be available, but an accessible washroom may not be available at all times.

new multimedia studio



Brodie Studio 216 Orientations and Bookings

Book your time in the multimedia studio located at Brodie, and start creating! There is a wide variety of equipment available, including microphones, lighting, video cameras, professional editing and recording software and more. All new users must complete an orientation with TBPL staff and sign the Studio Use Agreement Form. Email studio@tbpl.ca to reserve your time slot.

Podcast Basics

Brodie Studio 216

Do you have the next great podcast idea? Here's your chance to get started! All potential podcasters aged 13+ are welcome! Register beginning September 14 online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person, or by calling 345-8275.

Part 1: Plan Your Pod September 28 @ 6:30 pm

In Part 1, you'll Plan Your Pod as we cover trends in podcasting, how to choose a topic and find your niche, and what format works best for you.

Part 2: Recording Your Pod October 5 @ 6:30 pm

In Part 2, Recording Your Podcast, you'll learn about audio recording basics, what equipment is available for your use in Studio 216, and how to get your podcast online.

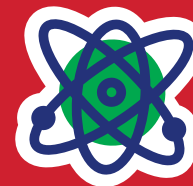
Studio 216 Offers A Digital Piano

Have you always wanted to learn piano, or wish you had somewhere to brush up on old skills? Book your time in Studio 216 with the full-size, 88-keyboard Roland FP-30X Digital Piano. This keyboard features 88 full-size keys, hammer action, escapement, and ivory feel that plays like a great acoustic instrument, along with a SuperNATURAL Piano sound engine that offers a rich expression from pianissimo to fortissimo. Practice in private using headphones, or use the Bluetooth connection to stream music through the piano speakers or headphones and play along with your favourite artists. Recording is easy with USB storage. Experiment with a variety of sounds and samples from every musical genre, including electric pianos, organs, strings, and synthesizers. Check out the in-studio collection of beginner piano lesson books, sheet music, and other resources to get started!

Email studio@tbpl.ca to book your time with the piano. Users will need to complete a brief orientation and sign the Studio Use Agreement form.



science programs



Science Literacy Week: September 19 - 25

This year, explore the world of mathematics.

Scientist in Situ: Science Meets Art

Monday, September 19 @ 6:30 pm

Virtual

A fun, hands-on virtual STEM workshop presented by Scientists in School! Discover what happens when science meets art! Explore perception as you use shadows, colour, motion, and light to create art from science. You'll make a puppet, a spinning top and kaleidoscope, as well as design your own galaxy. Each registered participant will receive a science kit. Library staff will contact you when your science kit is ready for pick-up. It must be picked up before the program date. Registration is limited and begins on Tuesday, September 6 @ 9:30 am online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person or by calling 345-8275. (ages 4-12)

LEGO Engineering Challenge

Thursday, September 22 @ 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

Mary J.L. Black

Test your engineering skills with various LEGO building challenges for children ages 6 to 10. LEGO will be provided. Registration is limited and begins on Thursday, September 8 @ 10:30 am online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person or by calling 345-8275.

Doodle Bots

Saturday, September 24 @ 2:30 pm

Waverley

Come and build a robot that makes scribble art on its own! All supplies provided. Registration is limited and begins on Saturday, September 10 at 10 am online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person or by calling 345-8275. (ages 7-12)



**SCIENTISTS
IN SCHOOL**

Fairy Tale STEM Storytimes

Waverley

Saturdays @ 10:30 am

September 24 - Rapunzel

October 8 - Three Billy Goats Gruff

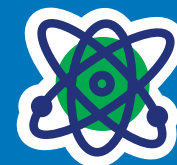
November 5 - Goldilocks and the Three Bears

November 26 - Three Little Pigs

December 10 - Gingerbread Man

Children can design sturdy homes for the Three Little Pigs, build a bridge for the Three Billy Goats Gruff to cross, and construct ways for Rapunzel to escape her tower. Each program will include a storytime and craft plus related STEM activity. A fun way to explore classic fairy tales and spark a love of science in little learners!

**your hub for
science &
technology**



“The great scientists are always artists as well!” (Albert Einstein).

programs for kids



Preschool Storytime

Waverley
Mondays @ 10:30 am
October 17 - November 28
(no program October 10)

Mary J.L. Black
Tuesdays @ 10:30 am
October 18 - November 22

A school readiness program for children ages 3 and 4 to attend on their own while caregivers remain nearby in the Library. Caregiver participation is required for the craft and play portions of the program. Register starting at 10 am, two weeks before each session. Register online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person, or call 345-8275.

Tales for Twos

Mary J.L. Black
Mondays @ 10:30 am
October 17 - November 21
(no program October 10)

Waverley
Tuesdays @ 10:30 am
October 18 - November 29

This program is for children 2 years of age plus a caregiver. There will be stories, songs and rhymes, crafts and other activities with time for play and socialization. Register starting at 10 am, two weeks before each session. Register online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person, or call 345-8275.

Read. Sing. Play.

Waverley
Wednesdays @ 10:30 am
October 5 - November 30

Brodie
Thursdays @ 10:30 am
October 6 - November 24

Children and their family or caregivers will enjoy this 100% literacy-based drop-in storytime combining stories, music and rhymes, crafts and play. Just drop in! Day-cares are welcome to attend but please call a day in advance to let us know.

your hub for early literacy



Baby Time

Waverley
Thursdays @ 11:15 am
October 6 - December 1

A drop-in literacy-based program for babies from birth to 24 months. This program combines stories, music, rhymes and play.

Play Day @ Mary J

Mary J.L. Black
Fridays from 10 am - 4 pm
September 2 - December 16
(no program September 30 & November 11)

Drop in on Fridays to socialize and play! (all ages).

Simple Stories

County Park
Mondays @ 10 am
September 12 - December 19
(no program on October 10)

A simple drop-in storytime for children and their family or caregivers. Take and make crafts are available to take home afterwards. (all ages)

programs for kids



Bundled Up Kits for Kids

Monday, December 19

All locations

Register your child for a Bundled Up kit filled with Library books, activities, and a special treat to enjoy over the holiday break!

Registration begins December 5, pick up at your selected location the week of December 19 (please note all locations close at 1 pm on December 23 and will reopen on January 3.)

Drag Queen Storytime

Waverley

Saturday, October 1 @ 2:30 pm

Mary J.L. Black

Saturday, December 10 @ 2:30 pm

Drop-in and join the always delightful Lady Fantasia and Mz Molly for a fun-filled afternoon storytime! All ages.



ASL 1:1 for Kids

via Zoom

Tuesdays @ 4:15 pm

October 4, 11, 18, 25

November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Paired with a staff member, you can practice American Sign Language signs, fingerspelling, play games, and sign along with a story! Each session is twenty minutes, over Zoom. Open to kids, youth, and anyone signing with them! No experience necessary.

Registration opens 2 weeks before each program date. Register in person, online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar or call 345-8275. For more information email cmarsonet@tbpl.ca

Blissful Beading

County Park

Biweekly on Thursdays @ 3 pm

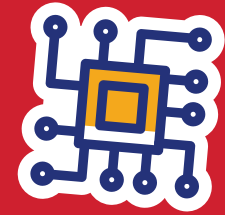
September 1 - December 22

Drop in after school and relax while you create beaded trinkets. Ages 4+

your hub for
inclusivity



programs for kids



County Park Children's Area

Window Painting

Tuesday, October 18 @ 10 am

Tuesday, December 6 @ 10 am

Drop in for a story and go crazy painting our big windows. Let your creative self have some fun! (All ages)

Winter Storytime - SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, January 4, 2023 @ 10 am

Join us for an all ages drop-in storytime before school starts in 2023.



Brodie Program Room

PA Day: (Almost) Hallowe'en Party for Kids

Monday, October 24 @ 10:30 am

Join us for not-so-spooky Hallowe'en stories, crafts, and follow up with Trick-or-Treating in the Library! Costumes welcome. All ages, drop in!

PA Day: Rigamajig Fun

Monday, October 24 @ 2:30 pm

School age children can drop in to try out our newest addition to the Science North THINK Hub, the Rigamajig! While the older children tinker in our Program Room, the younger children can enjoy LEGO, a light table, magnatiles, and more in the Children's area.



Shark Attack!

Friday, November 18 @ 10:30 am

Is it a boat? A fish? No! It's a....SHARK!! Don't be afraid, come join us for a shark-themed storytime and craft. All ages, drop in!

Tumbling Towers

Friday, November 18 @ 2:30 pm

School age children can join us for a Tumbling Towers Tournament in our Science North THINK Hub. While the competition runs in the program room, younger children can enjoy Legos, a light table, magnatiles, and more in the Children's area. No registration required, but the instructional portion of the competition begins at 2:40 pm.



Winter Storytime @ Brodie

Thursday, December 15 @ 10:30 am

Join us at Brodie for a winter-themed storytime complete with stories, activities, and fun! All ages, just drop in!



programs for kids



Waverley Auditorium

PA Day Hallowe'en Puppet Show Palooza Monday, October 24 @ 10:30 am

Filled with frights and delights, come watch an all Hallow's Eve puppet show Old Black Witch Rescues Hallowe'en, make a craft and more! Don't forget your costume! (all ages)

PA Day Christmas Puppet Show and Sing-a-long

Friday, November 18 @ 10:30 am

Enjoy the puppet show Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, sing along to your favourite holiday carols and make a festive craft! (all ages)

Sensory Storytime

Tuesday, December 20 @ 6:30 pm

Come and enjoy a sensory storytime with dimmed lights and simple songs that are perfect for children and parents who get overwhelmed in our regular storytimes. Just drop in. (all ages)

Mary J.L. Black Community Program Room

LEGO Play @ Mary J Mondays 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm October 17

November 14
December 12

Build, colour, or craft. Drop in for LEGO fun. All ages. Supervision recommended due to small parts. (ages 12 and under)

Baby Prints

Tuesdays @ 1:30 pm

October 25 & December 6

Drop in to make a handprint or footprint craft and stay for a story, song, and lap rhyme. (for babies ages 0-12 months)



your hub for stories & songs



adult programs



Family History Wednesdays!

Brodie

Wednesdays 6 pm - 7:30 pm

September 21

October 19

November 16

December 14

Looking to learn more about your family history? Start at your public library!

Ever wonder who lived in your house before you or what your telephone number was growing up? Maybe you or your relatives were featured in a Thunder Bay newspaper. We can show you how to scan a copy for a birthday or anniversary gift! Need help using the Ancestry Library Edition database? Join us on Wednesday evenings, starting with a tour of Brodie's available resources. Registration is required. Please register individually for each program beginning two weeks prior to the program date by calling 345-8275, online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, or in person at any location.



Food to Grow On Book Club

Health Unit Workshop

Mary J.L. Black @ 6:30 pm

Thursday, September 29

Brodie @ 6:30 pm

Wednesday, October 26

Waverley @ 10:30 am

Friday, November 25

Feeding children is not always easy - learn more from Registered Dietitian Kim McGibbon at one of three presentations happening in partnership with Thunder Bay District Health Unit. Each family that attends will receive a copy of the book **Food to Grow On** by Sarah Remmer, RD and Cara Rosenbloom, RD.

If you would like to attend virtually, please email aongaro@tbpl.ca Please note that this is a child friendly event but there is no child care available.



Thunder Bay District
Health Unit

Wit Knits

Mary J.L. Black

Thursdays @ 1:30 pm

September 22 - November 24

Whether you're new to knitting or experienced and 55+, you are welcome to join Wit Knits, a group that gets together to knit (and crochet). Share stories and laughs with fellow group members while you work.

Retirement Explorers

Mary J.L. Black

Fridays @ 1 pm

September 23 - November 25

Retirement Explorers are a group of retirees who pursue active recreation options. Retirees and soon-to-be retirees are welcome to attend.

Gnome-tastic

Waverley

Tuesday, November 22 @ 6:30 pm

Gnomes are known as lucky beings. Create your own gnome and bring some extra luck into your home. (ages 12+)

Register beginning November 8 online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person, or by calling 345-8275.

adult programs



Calling All Cooks

Do you like experimenting with food, trying new recipes, and sharing your results with friends? If so, register for our monthly Cookbook Club. Each month, we'll pick a theme and sign out a theme-related book to you. Try out some recipes from the book for a couple of weeks and then we'll meet to review the books and discuss the recipe results. Register online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person at any library location, or by calling 345-8275.

Soups and Stews - September 28 @ 5:30 pm - Brodie

Registration opens August 31.

Vegan/Vegetarian - October 26 @ 5:30 pm - Mary J.L. Black

Registration opens September 29.

Holidays & Special Occasions - November 30 @ 5:30 pm - Brodie

Registration opens November 2.



your hub for new ideas

Spice Club

Do you enjoy cooking, and are you looking for more ideas in the kitchen? Take part in the TBPL Spice Club! Spice Club packages are available at each branch on the second Wednesday of each month. Packages contain a jar of the monthly spice as well as a flyer containing information, recipes, and book recommendations! Pick-up is first come, first served, and there is a limited number at each location. For more information visit www.tbpl.ca/tbpl-spice-club

Subscription Book Bags for Adults

October to December

Curated book bags for adults have returned! Register and a specially selected bag of books will be waiting for you to pick up from your selected branch the first Monday of October, November, and December. Choose your genre and location, and we'll do the rest. Register beginning September 12 in person, online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, or by calling 345-8275.

You Rock - Rock Painting Class

Mary J.L. Black

Tuesday, October 18 @ 1:30 pm

Rock painting has become a hugely popular activity. This is an unstructured program giving you free reign to paint what you like with tips and techniques to help you. All supplies are included. Note: this program is for adults. Register beginning October 4 in person, by calling 345-8275 or online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar



Afternoon Artist

Mary J.L. Black

Friday, September 16 @ 1:30 pm

Join us as we help you turn a blank canvas into a beautiful floral work of art. Supplies are included. All you need to bring is your creative spirit, and an apron or old clothing for paint mishaps. Note: this program is for adults.

Register beginning September 2 online at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar, in person, or by calling 345-8275.

digital collections



cloudLibrary is TBPL's gateway to eBooks and eAudiobooks! Featuring over 6500 titles, cloudLibrary is constantly updated and expanded. Frequently updated virtual shelves offer a curated selection of titles across a variety of topics, both fiction and non-fiction. There are kids, young adult, and adult titles available.

www.tbpl.ca/ebooks

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www.tbpl.ca/emagazines

The Naxos Music Library is a collection of streaming music available 24/7! It offers access to over 2 million tracks of orchestral, jazz, choral, film & TV music, Chinese and World Music. Find it at

www.tbpl.ca/databases



Kanopy

is a streaming service you can access for free with your TBPL card! With instant access to classic and newly released Criterion collection and blockbuster movies, Kanopy covers all film genres from romance to drama to thriller.

Television series and documentaries are also available. Your Kanopy account offers four play credits per month.

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Kanopy Kids

is a carefully curated streaming collection of movies and shows for kids that are enriching, educational, and always entertaining. Unlike regular Kanopy, Kanopy Kids has unlimited plays with your TBPL card. www.tbpl.ca/streaming



your hub for entertainment



Ancestry Library Edition

Curious about your family tree? Explore Ancestry Library Edition, a resource providing access to literally billions of historical documents, millions of historical photos, plus local narratives, oral histories, indexes, and other resources in over 30,000 databases. Ancestry LE is available on all in-house library computers and on a dedicated workstation at both Brodie and Waverley.

www.tbpl.ca/ancestry-le

ComicsPlus



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www.tbpl.ca/ecomics

Learning with the Library: Guided Tour Through our Digital Library

Not sure where to start with TBPL's Digital Library? Watch our Learning with the Library video series! Created by TBPL staff, these 18 tutorial videos walk you step-by-step through accessing our many online resources. Find the videos at www.tbpl.ca/databases

science & nature



Tinker, Hack, Innovate, Network, and Know with the THINK Hub!

Challenges require building, making, testing and problem-solving, and provide an opportunity for creativity and out-of-the-box thinking. Located at Brodie, the THINK Hub is available on Tuesday evenings and for special programs! Check our online calendar at www.tbpl.ca/onlinecalendar for full details.

Tinker Tuesdays

Brodie Program Room

Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

September 20 - November 29

School-age children will love the chance to explore the Northern THINK Hub activities in our Program Room while younger children can enjoy LEGO, a light table, magnetiles, and more in the Children's Area. Just drop in on Tuesdays between 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm.

THINK Hub Thursdays

Brodie Program Room

Thursdays 3 pm - 4:45 pm

September 22 - December 1

School-age children can drop in to explore the Northern THINK Hub activities in our Program Room at Brodie. Create music using wood and elastics or set up a giant chain reaction.

Just drop in Thursdays from 3 - 4:45 pm.



Northern Nature Trading

Mary J.L. Black

Northern Nature Trading is a special kind of swap shop! Show us items you've found in nature and we'll award you points for what you know about your item, what makes it different, and the quality of it. Trade points for things in our collection like rocks, shells and pine cones. Check out these one time, simple ways to earn points: Visit during September to update your NNT membership details for 150 points. Show us your library card in October, Canadian Library Month, for 300 points.

For more information or to learn how you can trade virtually, email us at nnt@tbpl.ca or visit www.tbpl.ca/northernnaturetrading



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books & more



Welcome, Book Clubs!

If you're thinking of starting a book club or if your club has been around for ages, the Book Club in a Bag resources are a great way to take your book club to new heights. Each bag contains ten copies of the selected book and a discussion booklet to help guide the conversation during your meeting.

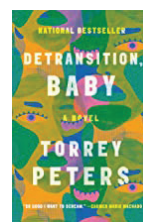
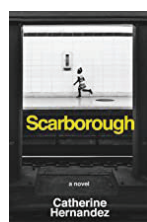
The book club bags are signed out for 8 weeks, and can be placed on hold like a regular item in the library collection. The titles available range from favourite classics to popular best sellers, but we also include non-fiction and poetry titles. The variety of the collection is great for finding new favourite genres and authors that you've never tried before. We are adding new materials on a frequent basis, so even if you think your club has read everything, there are many new titles to discover. If you have any questions, call Mary J.L. Black at 345-8275 or email bookclub@tbpl.ca

New Titles

Shuggie Bain by Douglas Stuart

Scarborough by Catherine Hernandez

Detransition, Baby by Torrey Peters



Thank You to Our Local Book Clubs!

This year TBPL has received donations from several local book clubs looking to honour members that had passed away. The donations made by each club allowed the library to purchase new Book Club in a Bag titles! Each book has a bookplate with an inscription recognizing the club and honouree.

We are so grateful to all these wonderful groups for their generosity, and for enabling us to add such wonderful titles to our collection. THANK YOU!

If your club is celebrating a milestone, or wishes to honour a member through a Book Club in a Bag donation, please contact Meagan at mross@tbpl.ca

Friends of the Library

The Friends are planning one of their popular Buck-a-Bag Sales this Fall. Check the Library website or our Facebook page at Friends of the Library Used Bookstore regularly for updates.

Regular hours of operation will resume on September 6 at the Friends of the Library Used Bookstore in Victoriaville Centre.

Monday to Friday..... 10 am to 4 pm

Saturday..... Noon to 3 pm



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