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Shine Bright!

AT STRATFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY, WE CELEBRATE THE STRENGTH OF OUR COMMUNITY; WHEN WE UNITE OUR EFFORTS AND SHARE OUR MOMENTS, WE CREATE A BRIGHTER FUTURE AND MAKE A LASTING IMPACT.

Every shared moment and helping hand brings us closer to a brighter future. Let's turn our dreams into reality and spread hope throughout our community.

[Let's shine bright together!](#)





Tales & Trails

DISCOVER THE MAGIC OF A GOOD BOOK WHILE OUT IN NATURE

Sep 9 - Dec 30 | Stratford-Perth Museum - Come and read *Sometimes I Feel Like an Oak* by Danielle Daniel and illustrated by Jackie Traverse while enjoying the Heritage Trails at Stratford-Perth Museum! Brought to you in partnership with the Rotary Club of Stratford, and the Stratford-Perth Museum. splibrary.ca/talesandtrails

Storytimes

TURN LEARNING TO READ INTO A PLAYFUL AND FUN EXPERIENCE

Join us for stories, songs, literacy games, and all kinds of fun! splibrary.ca/kids

- **Whale of a Tale** - Mondays | Sep 9 - Dec 30 | 6:30-7:30 | Library Auditorium
- **Baby Steps** - Wednesdays | Oct 2 - Nov 27 | 10-11 | Library Auditorium
- **Story Starters** - Thursdays | Oct 3 - Nov 28 | 10:30-11:30 | Library Auditorium

PA Day Fun at SPL

BRIGHTEN UP THE HOLIDAYS WITH SHINE BRIGHT STORYTIME AND THE MAKER SPACE

Nov 15, 10:30 & 2 | Library Auditorium - Join us to brighten the holiday season! Shine Bright Storytime features stories, songs, and games that celebrate diversity and self-esteem. In the afternoon, the Shine Bright Maker program offers crafts and upcycled card making. We provide the materials you bring the creativity!

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Book Subscriptions

RETURN THE BOOKS BUT KEEP THE GOODIES

Sign up to receive a monthly pack filled with three books specially chosen for you, as well as fun gifts and activities. When you are done, return the books but keep all the goodies!

- **YA Loot Packs** - Nov 4, Dec 9 - splibrary.ca/lootpacks
- **Tween Lit Kits** - Nov 13, Dec 18 - splibrary.ca/litkits

Swiftie Party

KARAOKE, FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS, GAMES, AND A SCAVENGER HUNT

Nov 13 | All Ages | Library Auditorium- Calling all Swifties! Whether you were lucky enough to get tickets or not, join us for karaoke, friendship bracelets, creative crafts, fun games, and a scavenger hunt where one person will walk away with a goodie bag. splibrary.ca/swiftieparty

Movie Night in a Bag

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT - NO ASSEMBLY REQUIRED

Dec 16 - 30 - Enjoy three specially selected movies from your favorite genre, plus fun games and popcorn! Keep the games and popcorn—just return the movies for the next bag. From December 16–30, you'll receive an email each Monday when your bag is ready for pickup.

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Gadgets with Guests

EXPLORE AND TRY OUT NEW TECHNOLOGIES WITH EXPERT GUESTS

Nov 2, Jan 4, Feb 1 | Library Auditorium - Join us each month to discover and explore new technologies, featuring expert guests who will explain tech topics like AI for seniors, how to digitize your memories and more!

splibrary.ca/gadgetswithguests



Financial Agility

LEARN WISE SPENDING AND SAVING

Nov 2, 6, 12, 22, 26 | Library Auditorium - November is Financial Literacy Month! This month community experts will share their knowledge on wise spending, saving strategies, and scam prevention. splibrary.ca/financialagility



Spiritual Agility

ROLE OF SPIRITUALITY IN POSITIVE AGING

Dec 3, 6, 7, 10, 13, 20 | Library Auditorium

December will focus on spirituality and positive aging, featuring topics such as meditation, creativity, joyful music, and the philosophy of "awe".

splibrary.ca/spiritualagility

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Meet Drew Hayden Taylor

READ THE BOOK, MEET THE AUTHOR

Nov 2 | 3-4 | Stratford-Perth Museum - Award-winning Drew Hayden Taylor will be at the Stratford-Perth Museum on November 2 to read from his latest novel, *Cold*, the Perth County Reads 2024 selection. Humour, hockey and horror all in one fantastic package.

No Registration Required.

splibrary.ca/meetdrewhaydentaylor

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Readers Retreat: Bibliotherapy Edition

FIND YOUR NEXT GREAT READ

Nov 14 | 2-4 - Need reading suggestions? Drop in for a 20-minute chat with a librarian to discuss your preferences and receive personalized book suggestions. Join us for book talk and snacks in the Quiet Room in the Library! splibrary.ca/readersretreat

Hungry Minds Food Drive

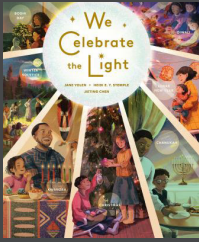
SUPPORT THE SNACK STOP

Dec 2 - 8 - For over a year, SPL has offered the Snack Stop, a free food pantry for those in need. From December 2nd to 8th, we invite the community to donate non-perishable items to support this initiative. Cash donations are also welcome online at our website.

splibrary.ca/hungrymindsfooddrive



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We Celebrate the Light
by Jane Yolen
Junior Non-Fiction



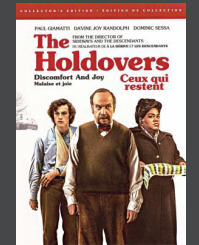
Eight Nights of Flirting
by Hannah Reynolds
Young Adult Fiction



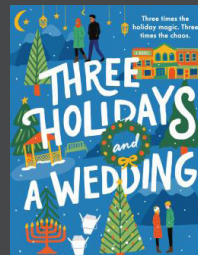
Red and Green and Blue and White
by Lee Wind
Junior Picture Book



Better Next Year: An Anthology of Christmas Epiphanies
Edited by JJ Lee
Adult Non-Fiction



The Holdovers
Young Adult DVD



Three Holidays and a Wedding
by Uzma Jalaluddin and
Marissa Stapley
Adult Fiction

Find more stories on letting your inner light shine:
<https://bit.ly/3zljGU9>

LIBRARY HOURS

SUNDAY	2PM - 5PM
MONDAY	10AM - 9PM
TUESDAY	10AM - 9PM
WEDNESDAY	10AM - 9PM
THURSDAY	10AM - 9PM
FRIDAY	10AM - 6PM
SATURDAY	10AM - 5PM

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UPCOMING CLOSURES

November 11: Remembrance Day
December 24 & 31: Closed at noon
December 25 & 26: Closed
January 1: Closed

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