



# Spring at the Library

DISCOVER FRESH STORIES, NEW IDEAS, AND A SEASON OF POSSIBILITY!



At SPL, we love this season of renewal, as the days grow brighter. Spring naturally invites discovery, creativity, and connection.

It's the season for celebrating our beautiful planet and welcoming the growing season.

We invite you to embrace spring by trying something new. Come out for a program, dive into a great book, or even learn a new skill.

Wander the stacks, share ideas, and celebrate this season of new beginnings.





**kids**  
ages 0-8



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**READING BUDDIES**

Apr 7 - May 26 | 4:00 & 4:30 PM

**PA DAY BOOT CAMP**

Apr 24 | 10:00 AM | self-directed

**IMAGINATION IGNITED PADAY**

Jun 5 | 10:30 AM & 2:00 PM  
Rotary Complex



**adults**  
ages 18+



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**STRATFORD FESTIVAL**

**SEASON 2026 SNEAK PEEK**  
Apr 8 | 7:00 PM

**POETRY LABYRINTH WALK**

Apr 10 | 1:00, 2:00 & 3:00 PM

**DOORS OPEN STRATFORD**

Apr 18 | 10:00 AM | drop-in

**GARDEN HAIKU WORKSHOP**

Apr 16 | 2:00 PM

**THE NETTLE DRESS: EARTH DAY FILM SCREENING**

Apr 22 | 2:00 PM | Rotary Complex

**ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH ART EXHIBIT**

Apr 27 - May 31 | Main Floor

**TINY ART PROJECT**

May 1 - 31 | Reception: Jun 11  
4:00 PM

**BIRD-FRIENDLY WINDOWS**

May 7 | 7:00 PM | Virtual

**THE LIBRARIANS FILM SCREENING**

May 9 | 4:00 & 7:00 PM | City Hall

**JUNE HAPPY HOUR**

Jun 23 | 7:00 PM | Main Floor

**WRITER'S MEET & GREET**

Jun 23 | 6:30 PM

**CRAFTING WITH BOOKS: SUMMER**

Jun 26 | 2:00 PM

**PINTS & PAGES**

Apr 21, May 19, Jun 16 | 6:30 PM |  
Relic Lobby Bar



**maker space**  
ages 9+



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**OPEN LABS**

Mon, Tues, Wed, Sat | 1:00 PM  
Thurs | 5:30 PM

**3D DESIGN (12+)**

Apr 21 | 6:30 PM

**BATTLEBOTS**

May 9, Jun 13 | 10:00 AM

**TABLETOP GAMING**

May 9, Jun 13 | 1:00 PM

**SOCRATICA (14+)**

Apr 1, 15, 29, May 13, 27 | 6:30 PM

**CRAFT & CONNECT (18+)**

Apr 8, 22 | 6:30 PM

**CANVA BASICS FOR BUSINESS**

Apr 11, May 2 | 10:00 AM

**LEGO MOSAIC**

Apr 22 - 30 | Display: May 1 - 9

**FROM THREAD TO TOTE**

Jun 10, 17, 24 | 6:30 PM

**DUNGEONS & DRAGONS**

Jun 16 | 6:00 PM



**teens**  
ages 9-17



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**YA LOOT PACKS**

Apr 14, May 12

**TWEEN LIT KITS**

Apr 22, May 20

**CHOPPED AT HOME**

Apr 27, May 25

**PAINTING PAWS**

Apr 27 | 6:30 PM

**ESCAPE ROOM: HUNGER GAMES**

Apr 8, 9, 10 | 3:00 PM

**TEEN MAKER MARKETPLACE VENDOR SHOW**

May 23 | 1:00 PM | Destination  
Stratford

**all ages**



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**CHESS (K)NIGHTS**

Every Mon | 6:30 PM

**THURS NIGHT WRITERS CLUB**

Feb 1 - 28



## bird-friendly

May 9 is World Migratory Bird Day and Stratford is now officially a certified bird-friendly city. The library is bird-friendly, too.

- Bird-Watching Kits
- Bird Listening Station
- Bird Books & Programs
- LEGO Mosaic
- Pollinator Garden



## in the community

Our commitment to the Stratford community goes beyond SPL's walls. Find us at local events supporting our surrounding area.

### EARTH DAY STREET PARTY

Apr 25 | Factory 163

### STRATFORD PRIDE FESTIVAL

May 31 | Upper Queens Park

### CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS

July 1 | Stratford Market Square



## earth-friendly

From tools you can borrow to programs you can take part in, we've got lots of ways to support a more sustainable lifestyle -- and many you can take home.

- Battery Recycling
- Mask Recycling
- Radon Detector Kits
- Energy Meters
- TerraCycle Craft Supply Recycling
- Co2 Monitor Kits
- Plant Program



## STRATFORD FESTIVAL 2026 SEASON READING GUIDES AT SPL

Planning to catch any plays? Enrich your experience at the Festival this year and be prepared! These curated lists by our professional librarians have all the resources you need to be the expert in the audience, giving a greater depth and meaning to each production.

[tinyurl.com/stratfestguides2026](https://tinyurl.com/stratfestguides2026)



**“ I love the library because there is something for everyone. Whether you're young, old, or new to the city. There is so much here to discover.**

- City of Stratford Mayor Martin Ritsma

## NEW DATABASE LEARNING RESOURCES

Need tutoring or help with homework? Looking for skill building or career resources? We have two wonderful new resources for children, teens and all ages, that you may access -- free with your library card. [splibrary.ca/research](https://splibrary.ca/research)

### Brainfuse HelpNow

A dynamic suite of tools for tutoring, homework help, and skills building, designed to empower learners of all ages.

### Learning Express Library

Your source for test preparation, skill building, and career resources for students, educators, and adult learners.

**CONTACT OUR FRONT DESK IF YOU REQUIRE ASSISTANCE**



### TAZIAH'S TOP SPRING READS

The sun is shining, the birds are singing, and the snow is finally melting. Celebrate spring's arrival with books related to Earth Day, the growing season, pollinators, spring romance, growth and renewal, and more.

[tinyurl.com/spring-books](https://tinyurl.com/spring-books)



### COOL THINGS TO BORROW | MAKERKITS

Curious about making? Need more time on a project you started in the MakerSpace? Borrow a MakerKit and experiment with hands-on tools, crafts, and creative projects at home. Check out kits for coding, design, digital media, photography & video, and other tools.

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If you need assistance during our elevator closure (April 13 to June 5), please contact us directly at 519-271-0220 ext. 102 and follow posted signage. Thank you for your understanding.

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## 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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