



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 19 | 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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ESCAPE ROOM: HUNGER GAMES

Apr 8, 9, 10 | 3:00 PM

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

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



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



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

“ 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

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



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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SPL ELEVATOR UNDER CONSTRUCTION

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

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| 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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