


MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 KIDS CHESS CLUB CEN 3:30 PM ADULT CHESS CLUB CEN 6 PM	29 TAX CLINICS KNITTING GROUP CEN 10 AM AFTER SCHOOL CRAFT CEN 4 PM MINI FAIRY DOORS CEN 5 PM YOUTH LIBRARY ASSOCIATION CEN 6 ELL CONVERSATION CAFE CEN 6:30 PM	30 EARLYON CEN 10 AM CREATION STATION CR 4 PM GROW A BEAN CEN 4 PM	1 KNITTING GROUP CEN 10 AM TAI CHI CEN 2 PM STEAM CEN 4 PM LEMONADE CLUB STV 4 PM	2	3 BOARD GAME CAFE STV 10 AM MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA CEN 11 AM MOVIE SHOWING: 'INSIDE OUT 2' CR 2 PM
5 ADULT COLOURING CLUB STV 11 AM KIDS CHESS CLUB CEN 3:30 PM ADULT CHESS CLUB CEN 6 PM	6 KNITTING GROUP CEN 10 AM AFTER SCHOOL CRAFT CEN 4 PM BEADED PLANTS CEN 5 PM	7 EARLYON CEN 10 AM CREATION STATION CR 4 PM	8 KNITTING GROUP CEN 10 AM JOB GYM: RESUME BUILDING CEN 1 PM TAI CHI CEN 2 PM AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB CEN 2 PM STEAM CEN 4 PM LEMONADE CLUB STV 4 PM FORT ERIE UKES CR 5 PM	9 MINECRAFT PARTY CR 3:30 PM	10 FAMILY PHOTO DAY CEN 10 AM
12 KIDS CHESS CLUB CEN 3:30 PM PAINT A PET ROCK CR 4 PM ADULT CHESS CLUB CEN 6 PM	13 KNITTING GROUP CEN 10 AM AFTER SCHOOL CRAFT CEN 4 PM	14 EARLYON CEN 10 AM CREATION STATION CR 4 PM ADULT CRAFT NIGHT CEN 6 PM	15 KNITTING CEN 10 AM TAI CHI CEN 2 PM STEAM CEN 4 PM LEMONADE CLUB STV 4 PM TRIVIA NIGHT CEN 6 PM YLA CULTURE NIGHT CEN 6 PM	16	17 BOARD GAME CAFE STV 10 AM THERAPY TAILS CEN 1 PM ADULT COLOURING CLUB CEN 2 PM
19 LIBRARY CLOSED 	20 KNITTING GROUP CEN 10 AM AFTER SCHOOL CRAFT CEN 4 PM MAGNET MAKER STUDIO CEN 5 PM WRITERS' GROUP CEN 6 PM	21 EARLYON CEN 10 AM CREATION STATION CR 4 PM TEEN CRAFT NIGHT CEN 6 PM BERTIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING CR 6 PM	22 KNITTING CEN 10 AM TAI CHI CEN 2 PM STEAM CEN 4 PM LEMONADE CLUB STV 4 PM FORT ERIE UKES CR 5 PM BOARD GAME CAFE CEN 6:30 PM	23	24 TEEN ESCAPE ROOM: GALAXY CHALLENGE! CEN 1 PM
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PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Registration for May programming opens **Saturday, April 26 at 9:30am**. Register for events through our website, www.fepl.ca, or by calling or visiting the library.

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CENTENNIAL BRANCH
 136 Gilmore Rd., Fort Erie
 (905) 871-2546
 Monday - Thursday: 9:30 - 8:00
 Friday - Saturday: 9:30 - 5:00

CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH
 89 Ridge Rd S., Ridgeway
 (905) 894-1281
 Monday - Thursday: 9:30 - 8:00
 Friday - Saturday: 9:30 - 5:00

STEVENSVILLE BRANCH
 2508 Stevensville Rd., Stevensville
 (905) 382-2051
 Monday & Saturday: 9:30 - 2:00
 Wednesday & Thursday: 3:30 - 8:00



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ADULT CHESS CLUB
CENTENNIAL BRANCH
Mondays | 6:00-7:30 PM



All skill levels are welcome to join us to learn and play chess every Monday evening. Feel free to drop in when you can!

KNITTING GROUP
CENTENNIAL BRANCH



Tuesdays & Thursdays | 10:00-11:00 AM

Bring your knitting, crochet, needlework, and other projects. No registration is required.

TAI CHI
CENTENNIAL BRANCH
Thursdays | 2:00-3:00 PM

Join Ray as he teaches a simple style of Tai Chi, combined with breathing and body conditioning exercises borrowed from Aikido. All ages. Registration is suggested, but not required.

ADULT COLOURING CLUB
STEVENSVILLE BRANCH
Monday, May 5 | 11:00-12:00 PM



Are you someone who loves colouring? We do too! Come in to the library for a relaxing afternoon filling in beautiful flowers. We'll meet every other Monday at the Stevensville branch, and monthly at the Centennial branch.

CENTENNIAL BRANCH
Saturday, May 17 | 2:00-3:00 PM

Email
Newsletter



Find out about upcoming programs and registration dates right away! Sign up at:
www.fepl.ca/newsletter

AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB
CENTENNIAL BRANCH



Thursday, May 8 | 2:00-3:00 PM

Looking for a good read? Join the Afternoon Book Club with our very own staff member, Derek, to read the best in modern and popular fiction.

JOB GYM PRESENTS:
RESUME BUILDING (16+)
CENTENNIAL BRANCH



Thursday, May 8 | 1:00-2:00 PM

Makana Scott from the Job Gym will host a monthly workshop to help Fort Erie residents with resumes. This workshop is fantastic for those interested in editing their resumes before job hunting. Registration encouraged.

FORT ERIE UKES
CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH



Thursday, May 8 & 22 | 5:00-7:00 PM

Fort Erie Ukes (FEU), established in 2021, are a group of adult ukulele players and enthusiasts meeting every other Thursday. All skill levels are welcome to attend. We typically play 16-18 songs from our library and sprinkle in any open mics you may be working on.

ADULT CRAFT NIGHT:
COFFEE FILTER HYDRANGEAS
CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Wednesday, May 14 | 6:00-7:30 PM

Create a gorgeous cluster of hydrangeas with coffee filters and a pair of scissors!

TRIVIA NIGHT
CENTENNIAL BRANCH



Thursday, May 15 | 6:00-7:30 PM

Gather your friends, test your trivia knowledge, and have a chance to win bragging rights and a prize! Snacks are provided.

newsletter

MARYANN & CHRISTOPHER MADDEN VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARD

At our April Annual General Meeting, we were proud to present Ann McLaughlin with the Maryann & Christopher Madden Volunteer Recognition Award. The Madden family joined us for the occasion, along with many fellow Friends, as we celebrated Ann's contributions to the Friends of the Fort Erie Public Library.

MORE ABOUT US:

To learn more about the Friends of the Fort Erie Public Library, visit our website at www.fepl.ca/friends or follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/friendsofFEPL.

We are always happy to welcome new members and event volunteers — including students!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 7th - Stevensville Springfest
June 10th - Friends of the Fort Erie Public Library Picnic
June - 14th Seniors Stepping Out
October 4th - Fall Used Book Sale

GENERAL MEETING:

The next general meeting will be held on Tuesday May 13th, 4pm at the Centennial Branch. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Thank you Delta Bingo for our fundraising partnership.

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Used Book Sale Fundraiser

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All money raised supports the Fort Erie Public Library Branches

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date

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Saturday Oct 4
Giant Used Book Sale

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MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Saturday, May 3 | 11:00-12:00 PM

We extend invitations to our patrons and their families to join us for Afternoon Tea at the library.

BEADED PLANTS (Ages 13+) CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Tuesday, May 6 | 5:00-6:00 PM

This TikTok inspired creation is a beautiful work of beads strung together to make potted plants.

PAINT A PET ROCK (Ages 4+) CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH

Monday, May 12 | 4:00-5:00 PM

Turn rocks into adorable creatures to decorate your room! All supplies provided. Registration required.

THERAPY TAILS CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Saturday, May 17 | 1:00-2:00 PM

Reading with a therapy animal can help reluctant readers, new language learners, and anxious readers gain confidence and develop a love of reading!



SEED LIBRARY

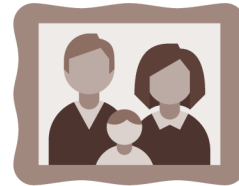
We're delighted to offer our very own Seed Library. No seeds? No problem! Donate to or borrow from our Fort Erie Public Library Seed Library.

The Seed Library is a free service for patrons of the Fort Erie community which hopes to foster well-being through gardening! Borrow seeds from the library and plant them at your home. At the end of the growing season, collect seeds from a few plants and return them to the library. Then next season, pick up more seeds to grow! By becoming a member, you can borrow seeds to grow, then harvest some of your plants to return to us. That's what keeps us going! By returning borrowed seeds or donating to the Fort Erie Seed Library, you're helping with food security, education in growing food and flowers, and helping people learn how to save seeds for the next year.

FAMILY PHOTO DAY CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Saturday, May 10 | 10:00-4:00 PM

Come in and say cheese for a free digital family photo courtesy of the library! To book a 10-minute time slot, please call the library or email: sdobbie@fepl.ca.



MAGNET MAKER STUDIO (Ages 6+) CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Tuesday, May 20 | 5:00-6:00 PM

Come by the library for a fun afternoon making your own magnets to take home. We'll learn that ANYTHING can become a magnet with the right supplies!

TEEN ESCAPE ROOM: GALAXY CHALLENGE! (Ages 13+)

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Saturday, May 24 | 1:00-3:00 PM

Work together to uncover the truth and complete the mission in this team-based game geared toward empowering teens to recognize misinformation online.

WRITERS' GROUP CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Tuesday, May 20 | 6:00-7:00 PM

Have a story to tell? Join FEPL staff member and published author Derek for ideas and prompts to help you start your writing journey or refine your skills.

BERTIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH

Wednesday, May 21 | 6:00-8:00 PM

Join June Chipp with a book launch for "Myths, Legends and Ghost Stories of the Niagara Frontier." Fascinating tales from Fort Erie and Bridgeburg to Ridgeway. All are welcome, and admission is free.



ADULT LIT KIT

Have you ever wanted your very own Book Subscription box? In our Lit Kit boxes, you will receive 1 book (to keep), amongst a few other book-themed gifts, trinkets, and a personalized list of other read-alikes. The only thing you need to return is the box!

If interested, please enter your email address when registering on Simpletix. Serena will email you personally with a quiz of your genre preferences and hobbies, to tailor your box specifically to you!



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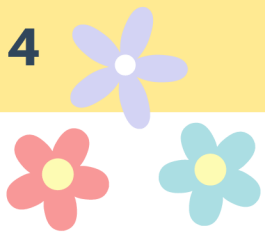
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KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS

weekly

KIDS CHESS CLUB (Ages 7+)

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Mondays | 3:30-4:30 PM

All skill levels are welcome to join us to learn and play chess every Monday afternoon. Register or drop-in!



AFTER SCHOOL CRAFT (Ages 4+)

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Tuesdays | 4:00-5:00 PM

Join us weekly at the Centennial Branch for a creative break after school. Drop-in.

EARLYON

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Wednesdays | 10:00-11:30 AM

Join us for stories, songs, crafts and playtime. In partnership with EarlyON. Registration required.



CREATION STATION! (Ages 6+)

CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH

Wednesdays | 4:00-5:00 PM

Due to the popularity of our Big Blue Blocks, we are expanding the program! Every week we will alternate between various STEM programs and challenges including LEGO, Big Blue Blocks, Knex, and more! Drop-in.

WEEKLY STEAM (Ages 6+)

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Thursdays | 4:00-5:00 PM

Join us every Thursday for a variety of hands-on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, math) activities. STEAM, like STEM, combines the arts with sciences, weaving cross-disciplinary exploration. Registration required.



LEMONADE CLUB

STEVENSVILLE BRANCH

Thursdays | 4:00-4:45 PM

Join us Thursdays after school for Lemonade club; a relaxing program where we will sip refreshing lemonade, read a story, and do a simple craft or colouring activity.



KIDS & TEENS PROGRAMS



monthly

MOVIE SHOWING: 'INSIDE OUT 2'

CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH

Saturday, May 3 | 2:00-3:30 PM

Get emotional at Crystal Ridge with the gang from Inside Out! Join us to watch the adventure continue in part 2.

BOARD GAME CAFÉ (Ages 9-19)

STEVENSVILLE BRANCH

Saturday, May 3, 17 & 31 | 10:00-11:00 AM

Join us in Stevensville every other Saturday morning for games, conversation, and good company. We'll also be playing at the Centennial branch every month. This is a drop-in program, so please pop in as you'd like!

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Thursday, May 22 | 6:30-7:30 PM



MINECRAFT PARTY

CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH

Friday, May 9 | 3:30-4:30 PM

To celebrate the release of the new Minecraft movie, we are hosting a Minecraft party! This is a drop-in library program so stop by anytime between 3:30-4:30pm for crafts, fun activities, and treats based on Minecraft!



YLA CULTURE NIGHT

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Thursday, May 15 | 6:00-7:30 PM

Join the Youth Library Association for their first ever Cultural Night! A potluck celebrating various cuisines from around the world, along with a cultural showcase. All are welcome!



TEEN CRAFT NIGHT:

PAINTED SEA SHELLS (Ages 13+)

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Wednesday, May 21 | 6:00-7:30 PM

Join us for a fun evening turning sea shells into tiny works of art! Registration required.

CHILDREN'S PAINTING (Ages 6+)

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Saturday, May 31 | 11:00-12:00 PM

Join us for our monthly Saturday morning painting class. Follow the program theme or freestyle! All supplies are provided. Registration required.



YOUTH LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Tuesday, May 27 | 6:00-7:30 PM


Are you between the ages of 14 and 18, want to earn community involvement hours, build leadership skills and help improve what the library has to offer? YLA aims to create a welcoming atmosphere that encourages teens to become life-long library users while providing library-related services to youth in a fun and friendly environment.

TECH HELP



Need help with a device or have a tech question?
Want to read ebooks and audiobooks on your device?
Make an appointment by emailing info@fepl.ca.

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