OCTOBER EVENTS CALENDAR

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Taxidermy | CEN | 6 PM BERTIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING | CR | 6 PM KIDS FALL PAINTING | R TEEN BOOK CLUB | CEN | 5 PM THERAPY TAILS | CEN | 1 PM HAPPY THANKSGIVING! TRIVIA NIGHT | CEN | 6 PM R WHO'S THE WINNER WITH AI CEN | 6:30 PM R YLA DONUT FUNDRAISER PICKUP | CEN | 1 PM TAICHI|CEN|2PM R 2 3 25 20 22 FINANCIAL LITERACY: BALANCING A CHEQUE BOOK BRING YOUR OWN CRAFT | STV | 10 AM ADULT FALL PAINTING R SESSION | CEN | 12 PM ARLYON | CEN | 10 AM CEN 3 PM ART PARTY! | CEN | 4 PM ADULT COLOURING CLUB | STV | 10 AM DCOA CLUB | STV | 4 PM FORTERIE UKES | CR | 5 PM TEEN BOOK CLUB | CEN | 5 PM KIDS CLUB | CR | 3:30 PM WITCHES NIGHT | CEN | 6 PM R TEEN CROCHET CLUB | CEN | 6 P MBIE BARBIES | CEN | 4 PM WRITERS' GROUP | CEN | 6 PM GENERATIONS CONNECT | YOUTH & SENIOR TECH HELP CEN | 6 PM FINANCIAL LITERACY FOR YOUNG ADULTS | CEN | 6 PM ADULT CHESS CLUB | CEN | 6 PM BRING YOUR OWN CRAFT | CR | 6 PM KNITTING GROUP | CEN | 10 AM 28 29 30 31 01 JOB GYM | CEN | 2:00 PM TRICK OR TREAT! | CEN & CR | ALL DAY TAI CHI | CEN | 2 PM 🕟 KIDS CLUB | CR | 3:30 PM AFTER SCHOOL CRAFTS! EARLYON | CEN | 10 AM ART PARTY! | CEN | 4 PM KIDS' CHESS CLUB | CEN | 4 PM TEEN BOOK CLUB | CEN | 5 PM MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY: COCOA CLUB | STV | 4 PM YLA MEETING | CEN | 6 PM ADULT CHESS CLUB | CEN | 6 PM ADULT CARDMAKING RCR | 6 PM HALLOWEEN PARTY R
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PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Registration for October programming opens Saturday, September 27th at 9:30am. Register for events through our website, www.fepl.ca, or by calling or visiting the library.



AT THE FORT ERIE PUBLIC LIBRARY



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

WWW.FEPL.CA

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 PROGRAMS

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

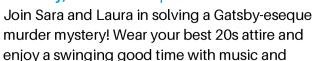


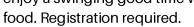
TAI CHI R **CENTENNIAL BRANCH** Thursdays | 2:00-3:00 PM

Join Ray as he teaches a simple style of Tai Chi, combined with breathing and body conditioning exercises borrowed from Aikido. All ages.

MURDER MYSTERY NIGHT (R)

CENTENNIAL BRANCH Tuesday, October 07th | 5:30-7:30 PM







FINANCIAL LITERACY

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Tuesday, October 07th | 3:00-4:00 PM

Budgeting & Planning. Registration required. Tuesday, October 21st | 3:00-4:00 PM

Balancing a Cheque Book. Registration required.

ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR R

Wednesday, October 08th | 2:00-3:00 PM

This seminar, led by Ross Taylor Finance, and Insurance Advisor, Fraz Mirza, will cover topics such as: the emotional hesitations about estate planning, benefits of having a plan and the challenges that come up without one, setting up the right team of professionals, the importance of having and updating your will, and more. Registration required.

ADULT CRAFT NIGHT:

Painting Wooden Pumpkins!



Wednesday, October 8th | 6:00-7:30 PM

Get into the fall spirit with this cute Halloween activity! All supplies included. Registration required.

AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Thursday, October 09th | 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.

WHO'S THE WINNER WITH AI? R

CENTENNIAL BRANCH | Wednesday, October 15th | 6:30-7:30 PM

Artificial Intelligence, in some form or another, has been around since the 1950's. A couple of years ago when ChatGPT suddenly became popular, a new interest in AI took over seemingly every part of our daily life. Everywhere you look you see AI added to just about everything, and everyone seems to be offering their opinion on what the next step for AI should be. This talk will explore a slight variation of this, namely, who is going to benefit when AI becomes an unavoidable component of life? When it comes down to civic life, social media, or even day-to-day life inside the library, it is worth looking at who are the winners and who are the losers. Like Sci Fi great William Gibson told us, "The future is already here-it's just not evenly distributed". Registration required.

Tim Ribaric is a PhD Candidate and a librarian at Brock University. He has taught hundreds of people how to use Al in computer programming and has published various pieces calling for careful examinations of how we use technology and AI.

Friends of the Fort Erie Public Library

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INFORMATION

ADULT PROGRAMS











Find out about upcoming programs and registration dates right away! Sign up at:

www.fepl.ca/newsletter



To **sign up** for a library card, at any branch, please bring a piece of photo ID along with proof of residence in the Greater Fort Erie area.

You can also apply for a card online.

A staff member will be happy to assist you!

Say Cheese!



Please be advised that staff may take photos or recordings during programs for use in marketing materials, social media, or other promotional purposes. Patrons who do not wish to be photographed or recorded should inform a staff member prior to or during the program.





FORT ERIE UKES

CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH

Thursday, October 09th & 23rd | 5:00-7:00 PM

Fort Erie Ukes (FEU), established in 2021, is 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.

TRIVIA NIGHT R



Thursday, October 16th | 6:00-7:30 PM

Gather your friends, test your trivia knowledge, enjoy snacks, and have a chance to win bragging rights and a prize!

BERTIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH

Wednesday, October 15th | 6:00-7:30 PM

Join us as we celebrate Canadian Women's History Month with a talk by members of the Bowen Road Women's Institute, as the the Women's Institute celebrates its 125th anniversary in Canada. Free admission, all welcome!

WRITERS' GROUP CENTENNIAL BRANCH





Tuesday, October 21st | 6:00-7:30 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. Registration is suggested, but drop ins are welcome.

FINANCIAL LITERACY FOR YOUNG ADULTS R





Wednesday, October 22nd | 6:00-7:00 PM

This seminar, led by Ross Taylor Finance, and Insurance Advisor, Fraz Mirza, is perfect for young adults who either are about to enter or have recently entered the workforce.

Topics include: an introduction to Canada's registered investment vehicles, understanding investment and retirement strategy, where to invest, major milestones to prepare for and the tools to do so, and more. Registration required.

GENERATIONS CONNECT: YLA & Senior Tech Program



CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Thursday, October 23rd | 6:00-7:30 PM

Need tech help? Stop by the Centennial branch to get help from a member of the Youth Library Association! They can help you with your devices, email, and any other tech need. Drop in.

ADULT FALL PAINTING SESSION





CENTENNIAL BRANCH Saturday, October 25th | 12:00-4:00 PM

Paint a beautiful fall-themed picture with Maria from the Fort Erie Arts Council. Supplies will be provided. *Please bring your* own apron. Registration is required and will be capped at 10 participants.







ADULT PROGRAMS

YOUTH SPECIAL EVENTS

ADULT CARDMAKING R



CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH Tuesday, October 28th | 6:00-7:00 PM

Please join us at the library to design and make greeting cards! All materials will be provided.





Tuesday, October 28th | 6:30-7:30 PM In partnership with the Fort Erie Multicultural Centre,

we are excited to introduce ELL (English Language Learners) Conversation Café - a place to gather and practice your English skills. Laura will guide the group with conversation topics, games, and more! Please feel free to bring your family; we will have crafts and games for children in attendance.

JOB GYM PRESENTS: Resume Building (16+)



CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Tuesday, October 28th | 2:00-3:00 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.

MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY: Hocus Pocus

CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH Thursday, October 30^h | 6:00-7:30 PM

Join us in watching a Halloween classic and bring a non-perishable food item to support our friends at COPE! Snacks are included and costumes are encouraged.



Bird Watching for Beginners

with Marcie Jacklin

Saturday, Oct 18, 11:00 am **Centennial Branch** Fort Erie Public Library **Free Admission**

presented by The Bert Miller Nature Club & The Fort Erie Public Library

> Shagbark Nature Park Burleigh Rd, Ridgeway Sunday, Oct 19, time TBA



ZOMBIE BARBIES R **CENTENNIAL BRANCH**

Wednesday, October 22nd | 4:00-5:00 PM

This Halloween, Barbie is getting a creepy makeover! Kids are invited to "wreck" a Barbie doll and transform it into a spooky zombie creation. With paint, markers, and plenty of ghoulish imagination, you'll design your own undead doll to take home. All supplies provided. Perfect for kids who love crafts, costumes, and a little Halloween fun! Registration required.

WITCHES NIGHT: Tarot, Palm Reading, and More!



Thursday, October 23rd | 6:00-7:30 PM

Stop by the library for a magical witchy hangout for teens, young adults and adults that feel young! Enjoy snacks, tarot readings, tea and tea leaf readings, temporary tattoos, and other mystical activities in a cozy, spooky vibe. Come dressed in your best witchy style and get into the spirit of the season! Attendees under 14 must be accompanied by an adult. Registration suggested but drop ins are welcome!

CARDBOARD GOTHIC CANDELABRA R

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Saturday, October 25th | 2:00-3:00 PM

Make your own house look like a haunted mansion with this easy craft. With a little cardboard, paper towel rolls and some hot glue we will have spooky candelabras for the Halloween season. Ages 6-12 are welcome. Registration required.

HALLOWEEN PARTY! R



Thursday, October 30th | 6:00-7:30 PM

Get ready for a **spooktacular** night of fun! Everyone is invited to the library for our Halloween Party filled with games, crafts, and plenty of sweet treats. Show off your best costume in our Costume Contest—the winners will take home a special prize! Registration is suggested, but drop ins are welcome.

TRICK OR TREAT!

CENTENNIAL & CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCHES

Friday, October 31st | ALL DAY

Kids (and adults!) can stop by the library anytime during open hours to trick-or-treat! Visit the circulation desk to say "Trick or treat!" and pick up a sweet surprise. Costumes are welcome but not required. Come by and celebrate the spooky season with us!

Introduction to the Library: Tour & Sign Up

Are you a teacher interested in teaching your students more about their local library? Arrange a class visit or library tour to learn about our collections and services.

Questions? Visit fepl.ca/Services or Email Serena at smariage@fepl.ca





YOUTH SPECIAL PROGRAMS

TEAM SHAN: Speaking About Breast Cancer Awareness for Young Women CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Thursday, October 02nd | 4:15-5:00 PM

Lorna Larsen RN, BScN, President of national charity Team Shan Breast Cancer Awareness for Young Women (Team Shan) will be speaking to teens at the Centennial Library in Fort Erie on Thursday, October 2nd at 4:15 pm. Team Shan is named after Lorna's daughter Shanna (Shan). Shan was only 24 when she lost her life to breast cancer. In Shan's memory Lorna speaks in high schools, community events and on college and university campuses across Canada. Team Shan is dedicated to reaching young women with information about their breast cancer risk and breast health information. Through funding from the Quad Niagara ATV Club, Team Shan will be hosting a breast cancer awareness campaign targeting young women across Niagara Region during October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

SPOOKY CRAFT AT STEVENSVILLE FARMERS MARKET

STEVENSVILLE FARMERS MARKET Wednesday, October 01st | 2:00-6:00 PM

Ready to build the silliest, spookiest monster ever? In this Halloween craft, kids will roll the dice to decide how many eyes, legs, arms, or even horns their creature will have. No two monsters will be the same! Come join the fun, get creative, and take home your very own silly Halloween monster. Join us at the final Stevensville Farmer's Market for this spooky Halloween-themed craft! Drop in.

HAUNTED SPELLBOOKS (R)

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Saturday, October 04th | 3:00-4:00 PM

Get into the spooky spirit this October at the library! Kids will create their very own haunted spellbooks using recycled notebooks, paint, and a touch of imagination. Each spellbook will be one-of-a-kind—perfect for spooky season. Registration required.

FALL SCAVENGER HUNT

CENTENNIAL & CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCHES Friday, October 10th | 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Join us this PD Day from school for an all-day adventure in the library! Kids can pick up a scavenger hunt checklist from the circulation desk and set off to explore the shelves, discover hidden treasures, and complete fun challenges. Find everything on the list and you'll win a prize!

KIDS' SCARECROW ART

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Saturday, October 11th | 2:00-3:00 PM

Create an adorable piece of fall decor to take home to your family. This DIY Scarecrow will give your Thanksgiving a personal touch. Ages 6-12 are welcome. Registration required.

KIDS FALL PAINTING R



Saturday, October 18th | 2:00-3:00 pm

Kids will follow along in an easy, guided art lesson to create their very own painting. Each step is broken down clearly, so everyone can feel confident as they learn new techniques, explore colours, and express creativity. By the end, every child will have a unique masterpiece to take home! Registration required.

K-POP DEMON HUNTERS HANGOUT

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Tuesday, October 21st | 6:00-7:00 PM

Have you heard? K-Pop Demon Hunters is everywhere—and for good reason! It's now Netflix's most-watched movie ever, with hundreds of millions of views. We're hosting a special program inspired by the movie! Kids and teens are invited to join us for activities, crafts, and games all themed around K-Pop Demon Hunters. Come ready to sing, imagine, create, and celebrate this super-popular film with friends.

ADULT PROGRAMS





Looking for something fun to do? Stop by and check out our self-guided programs. We'll have all the supplies you need to dive in and get started. These are passive programs, which means they are totally self-run. Library staff will set it up, but the rest is up to you! Come and go as you please.

ADULT CHESS CLUB

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Mondays | 6:00-7:30 PM

All skill levels are welcome to drop in and play Chess when you can! No registration required.

KNITTING GROUP

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Tuesdays | 10:00 AM-NOON

Bring your knitting, crochet, needlework, and other projects. Drop in.

BOARD GAME CAFÉ

STEVENSVILLE BRANCH

Saturday, October 4th & 18th | 10-11:00 AM

Visit the library in Stevensville every other Saturday for games, conversation, and good company. Drop in.

ADULT COLOURING CLUB

STEVENSVILLE BRANCH

Monday, October 06th & 20th | 10 AM - 11:30 AM **CENTENNIAL BRANCH**

Saturday, October 11th | 2:00-3:00 PM

Are you someone who loves colouring? Visit the library! This month's theme: Happy Halloween! Drop in.

BRING YOUR OWN CRAFT!

STEVENSVILLE BRANCH

Monday, October 20th | 10:00-11:30 AM **CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH**

Tuesday, October 21st | 6:00-7:30 PM

Have an arts project you're working on? Bring it to the library and create in community! Drop in.







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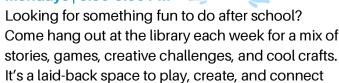


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KIDS CLUB

CRYSTAL RIDGE BRANCH Mondays | 3:30-5:00 PM



AFTER SCHOOL CRAFTS! R

CENTENNIAL BRANCH Tuesdays | 4:00-5:00 PM

with friends! Drop in.

Join us weekly for a creative break after school! Ages 4+. Register or drop in.

TEEN BOOK CLUB

CENTENNIAL BRANCH Tuesdays | 5:00-6:00 PM

Join us for a chill book discussion based on your reading interests. You can bring whatever you're currently reading to discuss with friends at the Centennial Branch. We'll share what we like (and don't like) about popular titles, and maybe even swap books! Drop in.

EARLYON

CENTENNIAL BRANCH Wednesdays | 10:00-11:00 AM

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



Thursdays | 4:00-5:00 PM

Join us every Thursday for Art Party- a place to explore and test out new artistic skills. We'll be using paint, pastels, charcoal, clay, watercolour- and more! Register or drop in.

TEEN CROCHET CLUB



Tuesday, October 07th & 21st | 6:00-7:00 PM

Learn how to crochet squares for a community project! We will meet every second Tuesday at 6pm to work together over the fall and winter on creating a beautiful teen made blanket to display in the library and raffle off to a lucky winner! Drop in.



These are passive programs, which means they are totally self-run. Library staff will set it up, but the rest is up to you! Come and go as you please.

KIDS' CHESS CLUB

CENTENNIAL BRANCH Mondays | 4:00-5:00 PM

Play, learn or watch! All skill levels are welcome to come play chess every Monday afternoon. Drop in.

** Please note the time change! **

COCOA CLUB

STEVENSVILLE BRANCH Wednesdays | 4:00-4:45 PM

Come to the library on Wednesdays for Cocoa Club; a relaxing program where you can sip hot cocoa, read a story, and do a simple craft or colouring activity. Drop in.



STEAM SERIES: Wicked Slime R

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Thursday, October 09th | 6:00-7:00 PM

Kids will create their own jar of glowing green slime, topped with a tiny witch's hat! While they play, they'll discover how science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM) all connect - mixing ingredients (science), measuring (math), designing their spooky jar (art), and seeing how it all works together like magic. Registration required.

TEEN CRAFT NIGHT: R **Creepy Faux Taxidermy**

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Thursday, October 16th | 6:00-7:30 PM

Join us for a spooky art project to get in the Halloween spirit. We'll paint bugs and mount them on plaques to create creepy wall art. All supplies included.

HOME SCHOOL HANG

CENTENNIAL BRANCH Friday, October 17th | 10:00 AM-11:00 AM

Connect with other home schooling families to work together and play together. Every month we'll follow a different guided activity involving STEAM, STEM, or art!

Registration Required

BABYSITTING BASICS R

St. John Ambulance

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Saturday, October 18th | 10:00 AM-5:00 PM

Babysitting is a job with significant responsibility and the Babysitting Course helps prospective babysitters learn the skills they need. This course is for youth aged 11 to 15 years old. It teaches the new babysitter the necessary tools to provide care to children in a variety of situations. The course emphasizes safety rules, responding to emergencies, and developing leadership skills. Register through St. John Ambulance online or by calling: (905) 685-8964. Fee: \$75

THERAPY TAILS

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Saturday, October 18th | 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

YOUTH LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

of reading! Drop in.

Tuesday, October 28th | 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.







