

JAN - FEB 2025

what's on

at the medicine hat public library

**BANFF MOUNTAIN FILM
FESTIVAL WORLD TOUR**

LOVE IS IN THE PAGES

SIPS AND SOCIALS

**TEEN COMIC
BOOK NIGHT**

DRIVE-IN MOVIE

And More!



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children

BUSY BEES PLAYGROUP *(for ages 1 - 3)*

January 4, 11, 18, 25 at 10AM | February 1, 8, 15, 22 at 10AM | Honor Currie Room

Come in for an hour of play and socialization. We will focus on age-appropriate loose parts play, which allows kids to move, combine, rearrange and tinker with fun toys that will be provided. Children must have an adult caregiver present with them at all times during this program.

DROP-IN FAMILY DAY *(for ages 0 - 12)*

January 5, 12, 19, 26 at 1PM | February 2, 9, 16, 23 at 1PM | Co-op Community Developmental Play Space, Meeting Rooms, Theatre, Story Castle

Sunday afternoons are Family Day at MHPL. Check out our Co-op Community Developmental Play Space in the Kinsmen Children's Library, Big Blue Blocks in the Honor Currie Room, LEGO in the Legion Room, enjoy a family-friendly film in the Theatre or build dinosaurs in the Story Castle. **Please note that children must be accompanied by a parent or other adult caregiver at all times.**

FAMILY STORYTIME FOR TODDLERS *(for ages 18 - 36 months)*

January 7, 14, 21, 28 at 10:30AM | February 4, 11 at 10:30AM | Story Castle

Toddler Storytime features stories, songs and rhymes for busy toddlers. Children must attend with a parent or other adult caregiver. At least one program-aged child is required to register; older siblings are welcome. **Online registration required.**

TODDLER TALK & PLAY *(for ages 18 - 36 months)*

January 7, 14, 21, 28 at 11:15AM | February 4, 11 at 11:15AM | Co-op Community Developmental Play Space

Presented by Alberta Health Services, come for one, a few or all of the sessions with your child to have fun learning through play. Call the Medicine Hat Regional Hospital's Speech, Language and Hearing Department at 403-528-8175 for more information.

FAMILY STORYTIME FOR PRESCHOOLERS *(for ages 3 - 6)*

January 8, 15, 22, 29 at 10:30AM | February 5, 12 at 10:30AM | Story Castle

Preschool-aged children enjoy longer stories, songs and rhymes while developing listening skills to get them ready for school. Children must attend with a parent or other adult caregiver. At least one program-aged child is required to register; siblings are welcome. **Online registration required.**

FAMILY STORYTIME FOR BABIES AND ONES *(for ages 4 - 18 months)*

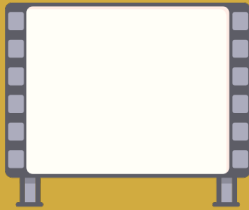
January 9, 16, 23, 30 at 10:30AM | February 6, 13 at 10:30AM | Story Castle
January 9, 16, 23, 30 at 2PM | February 6, 13 at 2PM | Story Castle

This lapsit program features bounces and tickles, as well as songs and stories for babies from birth to 18 months with their parents or caregivers. At least one program-aged child is required to register; siblings are welcome. Please note that this program is offered twice due to high enrolment; please register for only one timeslot. **Online registration required.**

DRIVE-IN MOVIE *(for ages 4 - 6)*

January 10 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Get ready for a one-of-a-kind drive-in movie! Kids can unleash their creativity by building their very own cardboard cars before cruising into a cozy spot to enjoy a selection of Pixar shorts.



Don't forget to bring a blanket and pillow to make your ride extra comfy. Snacks will be served to complete the movie experience — so buckle up for a fantastic time! **Online registration required.**



READ TO DARBY *(for ages 5 - 10)*

January 11, 25 at 10:30AM, 10:50AM, 11:10AM, 11:30AM, 11:50AM | Story Castle
February 8, 22 at 10:30AM, 10:50AM, 11:10AM, 11:30AM, 11:50AM | Story Castle

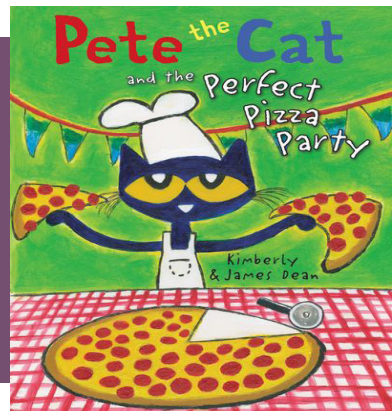
Darby and her human, Melissa, are a certified Pet Partners Therapy Team. Darby enjoys listening to stories and making new friends; she would love it if some Medicine Hat kiddos visited her at the library and shared their favourite books. Please schedule your time with Darby - she can spend 15 minutes with each child starting at 10:30 am. Readers ages 5-10 can choose a time on Jan. 11, Jan. 25, Feb. 8 and Feb. 22. Please note all children need to be accompanied by a parent or other adult caregiver during their visit with Darby. **Online registration required.**



PETE THE CAT'S PERFECT PIZZA PARTY STORYCRAFT *(for ages 4 - 6)*

January 25 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

It's the Perfect Party - a pizza party, with Pete! Picture your perfect piece and plan on plenty of pizza-rific fun! (real pizza not provided; sorry, folks)! Children must have an adult caregiver present with them at all times during this program. **Online registration required.**



FAMILY LITERACY DAY ACTIVITY BOOKLETS *(for ages 5 - 12)*

Available Starting January 27 | Kinsmen Children's Library

Celebrate Family Literacy Day on Jan. 27! Pick up your free booklet packed with exciting ideas inspired by this year's theme: "Learn to be Green, Together." Grab yours while supplies last!



STORYTIME AND PLAYTIME WITH MIYWASIN FRIENDSHIP CENTRE *(for ages 3 - 6)*

January 27 at 10:30AM | February 24 at 10:30AM | Co-op Community Developmental Playspace, Story Castle

Share in stories, songs and rhymes including Indigenous culture and traditions including drumming followed by play time. Children must have an adult caregiver present with them at all times during this program. **Online registration required.**

family films

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ALPHA AND OMEGA

2PM | Theatre

Kate and Humphrey are two wolves who are trying to get home after being taken by park rangers and shipped halfway across the country. Featuring the voices of Hayden Panettiere and Justin Long. 88 mins.

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LADY AND THE TRAMP

2PM | Theatre

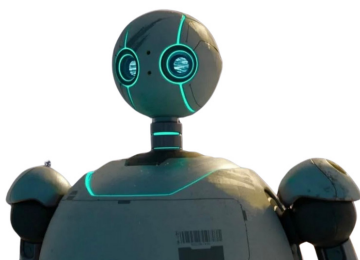
This 1955 Disney classic tells the romantic tale of a sheltered uptown Cocker Spaniel dog and a streetwise downtown Mut. Featuring the voices of Barbara Luddy and Larry Roberts. 76 mins.

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THE WILD ROBOT

2PM | Theatre

After a shipwreck, an intelligent robot called Roz is stranded on an uninhabited island. To survive the harsh environment, Roz bonds with the island's animals and cares for an orphaned baby goose. Featuring the voices of Lupita Nyong'o and Pedro Pascal. 102 mins.



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MEGAMIND

2PM | Theatre

Evil genius Megamind finally defeats his do-gooder nemesis, Metro Man, but is left without a purpose in a superhero-free world. Featuring the voices of Will Ferrell and Brad Pitt. 96 mins.

classic movies

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SOME LIKE IT HOT (1959)

2PM | Theatre

After two male musicians witness a mob hit, they flee the state in an all-female band disguised as women, but further complications set in. With Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis and Jack Lemmon. 121 mins.

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MR. PEABODY & SHERMAN

2PM | Theatre

Sherman, a young boy, misuses a time machine made by his scientist father Mr. Peabody and causes the world history to go haywire. It is now up to Mr. Peabody to rescue his son and the world. Featuring the voices of Ty Burrell and Max Charles. 92 mins.

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THE BOSS BABY

2PM | Theatre

A suit-wearing, briefcase-carrying baby pairs up with his 7-year old brother to stop the dastardly plot of the CEO of Puppy Co. Featuring the voices of Alec Baldwin, Steve Buscemi and Jimmy Kimmel. 97mins.



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THE BOSS BABY: FAMILY BUSINESS

2PM | Theatre

The Templeton brothers have become adults and drifted away from each other, but a new boss baby with a cutting-edge approach is about to bring them together again - and inspire a new family business. Featuring the voices of Alec Baldwin, James Marsden and Amy Sedaris. 107 mins.



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TRANSFORMERS ONE

2PM | Theatre

The untold origin story of Optimus Prime and Megatron, better known as sworn enemies, but who once were friends bonded like brothers who changed the fate of Cybertron forever. Featuring the voices of Chris Hemsworth and Bryan Tyree Henry. 99 mins.

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BRINGING UP BABY (1938)

2PM | Theatre

While trying to secure a \$1 million donation for his museum, a befuddled paleontologist is pursued by a flighty and often irritating heiress and her pet leopard, Baby. With Katharine Hepburn, Cary Grant and Charles Ruggles. 102 mins.



tweens

HYGGE HANGOUT (for ages 10 - 12)

January 4 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Hygge (pronounced "hoo-gah") is all about creating a cozy, relaxing atmosphere and enjoying life's simple pleasures. Think warm drinks, comfy clothes, soft blankets and good company. At our Hygge Hangout, you'll get to experience this Danish tradition with cozy seating, chill activities and a chance to unwind with friends. Wear your comfiest clothes and join us for a laid-back, feel-good time to end your winter break! **Online registration required.**



INBETWEEN BOOK CLUB (for ages 10 - 12)

January 9, 16 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

This month we're reading "Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus" by Dusti Bowling. Aven Green is a fearless 13-year-old with a big personality. Aven is used to telling people that she lost her arms in wild adventures, like alligator wrestling or a Tanzanian wildfire, but in reality, she was just born without them. When her family moves to Arizona to run a quirky old theme park, Aven has to navigate new friendships, a new school and endless questions. Be sure to sign up if this heartwarming story about courage and friendship sounds intriguing! **Online registration required.**



BOOK CUPID (for ages 10 - 12)

Feb. 1-14 | Kinsmen Children's Library

Let Cupid guide you to your next favourite read! Tweens can scan the QR code to the right to fill out a quick quiz about their reading likes and dislikes, and our team of "Book Cupids" will swoop in to match them with the perfect book. Whether you're into action-packed adventures, heartwarming tales or magical mysteries, Cupid has something for everyone. The online quiz will be available from Feb. 1-7 until all spots are filled, and your personalized book will be ready for pick-up at the Children's Desk on Feb 14. Patrons must have a valid library card in good standing to sign up for this program. **Online registration required.**



TWEEN NIGHT: BOARD GAME CAFÉ (for ages 10 - 12)

February 27 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Come play, connect and discover your new favourite board game! **Online registration required.**

teens

ANIME PARTY *(for ages 13 - 19)*

January 9, 16 at 5:30PM | Feb. 13, 27 at 5:30PM | Honeycomb House

Come watch anime on the big screen in the Honeycomb House! Teens will vote on what to watch each week. Snacks provided.

MINDFULNESS EXAM KITS *(for ages 13 - 19)*

Available Starting Jan. 10 | Information Desk

Exams are stressful time, so we've created Mindfulness Exam Kits with the help of our friends at Community Coming Together for teens to enjoy. Get one while supplies last.

TEEN UNITY CIRCLE *(for ages 13 - 19)*

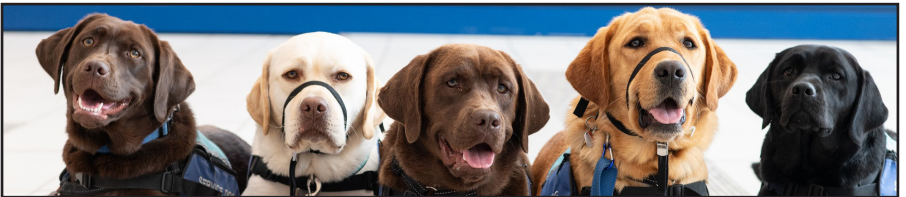
January 14 at 5PM | February 11 at 5PM | Honeycomb House

Unity Circle is an inclusive peer support group for all teens. It is a place to make friends, learn self-care skills, have fun, and find supports. We will have conversations around identity, self-expression and positivity.

TIC TAC PRESENTS: MOVIE NIGHT *(for ages 13 - 19)*

January 17 at 6:45PM | Theatre

Enjoy a FREE night at the movies at this teen-only after hours event! Cast your vote when you arrive for which movie we watch: "Wild Robot" (PG), "Harold and the Purple Crayon" (PG), "Beetlejuice Beetlejuice" (PG-13) or "Transformers One" (PG). Popcorn provided. Doors are open for entry from 6:45 - 7:15PM only then locked for your safety. Ends at 9PM.



YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH DAY WITH SUMMIT SERVICE DOGS

(for ages 13 - 19)

January 22 at 3:30PM | Honor Currie Room, Honeycomb House

Take a paw from stress! Join us for Youth Mental Health Day, featuring Summit Service Dogs, and experience the calming magic of therapy dogs. This event is all about relaxation and connection as trained therapy dogs help teens unwind, de-stress and focus on their well-being.

COMIC AND CARD SWAP *(for ages 13 - 19)*

January 25 at 2:30PM | Honeycomb House


Calling all teen collectors! Bring your collectibles, cards and comics to trade with your peers! Having nothing to trade? We will have a limited supply of items to provide for trading. In collaboration with Our Collective Journey.

ADULTING 101: HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS *(for ages 13 - 19)*

January 30 at 5:30PM | Honeycomb House




Being a teenager is tough especially when it comes to friend groups. Join us and the Medicine Hat Women's Shelter Society for an interactive session on building healthy relationships. Snacks and prizes provided.

HONEYCOMB HOUSE



Drop in Hours*
Tues, Wed, Thur: 3:30 - 7:30 PM
Fri, Sat, Sun: 1:00 - 4:30 PM

For teens ages 13 - 19.
No registration required.

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 <p>Join our Discord Announcement Server!</p>	<p>Origami/Paper Craft Week Come craft with paper!</p>		2	3	4	5
<p>Time Capsule Jar Week Make your own time capsules!</p>	7	8	9	10	11	12
<p>DIY Magnet Week Make your own marble magnets!</p>	14	15	16	17	18	19
<p>Paper Dragon Week Create your own puppet!</p>	21	22	23	24	25	26
<p>Card Making Week Make your own unique cards!</p>	28	29	30	31	  <p>follow us @ mhp/teens</p>	
		<p>Therapy Dogs @ 5:30 pm</p>	<p>CLOSED</p>	<p>Anime Party @ 5:30 pm</p>	<p>Teen Night: Movie Night @ 6:45 pm</p>	<p>Comics & Card Swap @ 2:30 pm</p>
			<p>Adulting 101: Relationships @ 5:30 pm</p>	<p>Teen Night: Comic Book Night @ 6:45 pm</p>		

*Hours are subject to change



TIC TAC PRESENTS: COMIC BOOK NIGHT

(for ages 13 - 19)

January 31 at 6:45PM | Honor Currie Room,
Legion Room, Theatre

It's time to bring out those stretchy pants and capes because it's Teen Comic Book Night at the Library! Compete to become the "Megamind" of superhero trivia, take a photo of your supersuit in the photobooth, use the button maker to immortalize your favourite comic scene, and learn tips and tricks of elevating your cosplay from an award-winning local cosplayer! Snacks and prizes provided. Doors are open for entry from 6:45 - 7:15PM only then locked for your safety. Ends at 9PM.

FROM EROS, WITH LOVE (for ages 13 - 19)

Feb. 1-14 | Information Desk

Celebrate the season of love with a personalized bookish surprise! Teens, scan the QR code to the right to fill out a quick survey about your reading interests, and let Eros match you with a book! Valentine's-themed goodies included to make your reading experience extra sweet. Whether you're into romance, fantasy, adventure or mysteries, Eros has a story for you! The online quiz will be available from Feb. 1-7 until all spots are filled, and your personalized book bag will be ready for pick-up at the Information Desk on Feb. 14. Patrons must have a valid library card in good standing to sign up for this program.
Online registration required.



ADULTING 101: BUDGETING BASICS (for ages 13 - 19)

February 5 at 5:30PM | Honeycomb House

Take the first step toward financial independence with this fun and practical workshop. This class will give you the tools to manage your money with confidence whether you're saving for college, a car, or your next adventure. Snacks and prizes provided.

TIC TAC PRESENTS: CRAFTS & CONTROLLERS (for ages 13 - 19)

February 14 at 6:45PM | Honor Currie Room, Legion Room, Theatre

Whether you're into crafting, gaming or both, this after-hours, teen-only event will offer a dynamic space to socialize, unleash creativity and enjoy a memorable night with friends! Snacks provided. Doors are open for entry from 6:45 - 7:15PM only then locked for your safety. Ends at 9PM.

TEENVERSE READS: THE GLASS GIRL (for ages 13 - 19)

February 20 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room, Honeycomb House

Join us in reading national bestselling author (and our personal online bestie) Kathleen Glasgow's newest book "The Glass Girl." Summit Service Dogs will be in attendance for some paw-some stress-reducing cuddles while we discuss the book. **Online registration required.**



TIC TAC PRESENTS: DECADES NIGHT (for ages 13 - 19)

February 28 at 6:45PM | Honor Currie Room, Legion Room, Theatre

We've activated our time machine and transported to the recent past! Pick your favourite decade of fashion for a chance to win "best dressed," test your knowledge with music history trivia, belt out classics on the karaoke machines and try your hand at some old school crafts. Snacks and prizes provided. Doors are open for entry from 6:45 - 7:15PM only then locked for your safety. Ends at 9PM.

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Fri, Sat, Sun: 1:00 - 4:30 PM

For teens ages 13 - 19
No registration required.

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<p>Join our Discord Announcement Server!</p>		<p>Card Making Week Make your own unique cards!</p> <p>→</p>				
<p>Sticker Making Week Come create your own unique stickers!</p> <p>→</p>	4	5	6	7	8	9
<p>Button Making Week Make your own button pins!</p> <p>→</p>	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Teen Unity Circle @ 5:00 pm	Adulting 101: Budgeting Basics @ 5:30 pm	Anime Party @ 5:30 pm	Teen Night: Crafts & Controllers @ 6:45 pm		
<p>Shrinky Dink Week Customize your own charms!</p> <p>→</p>	18	19	20	21	22	23
			CLOSING AT 5 PM			
<p>Kindness Rock Week Paint rocks of kindness!</p> <p>→</p>	25	26	27	28	follow us @ mmpiteens	
			Anime Party @ 5:30 pm	Teen Night: Decades Night @ 6:45 pm		

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adults

READERS' THEATRE

January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at 1PM | February 6, 13, 20, 27 at 1PM | Honor Currie Room

Join this group of no-pressure seniors who get together to read scripts of plays aloud.

COMMUNITY COFFEE

January 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27, 31 at 10AM | February 3, 7, 10, 14, 21, 24, 28 at 10AM | Honor Currie Room

Would you like to meet local people and connect with groups in our community? Do you enjoy a good coffee or cup of tea with a tasty treat? Then join us for Community Coffee on Monday and Friday mornings. There will be special hosts, invited guests and short presentations from time to time, but even if nothing is planned, refreshments, conversation and building community will always be on the agenda.

FRESH BREW AND FRENCH CONVERSATION

January 4, 11, 18 at 10:30AM | February 1, 15 at 10:30AM | Legion Room

An opportunity to converse in French with friendly Hatters. Light refreshments will be provided. *Note: This is not a language class.*

EL CLUB DE LOS SABADOS

January 4, 11, 25 at 1PM | February 1, 8, 15, 22 at 1PM | Legion Room

An opportunity to converse in Spanish with friendly Hatters. Light refreshments will be provided. *Note: This is not a language class.*

STITCHING IN THE AFTERNOON

January 7, 14, 21, 28 at 1PM | February 4, 11, 18, 25 at 1PM | Legion Room

Bring along a knitting or crochet project to share skills, laughs and some light refreshments.



AFTERNOON MOVIE FOR ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS

January 8 at 1PM | February 5 at 1PM | Theatre

Adults with developmental delays are welcome to come to the library to enjoy watching a popular movie.

MHPL WALKING GROUP

January 8, 15, 22, 29 at 1:30PM | February 5, 12, 19, 26 at 1:30PM |

Meet at the outdoor book return

Let's walk and talk books! Meet near the outdoor book drop and let's head to the River Road trails for a 60-minute walk. Bring your walking poles if you have them and dress for the weather. When we get back, join us for some light refreshments and snacks in the library.

TRAUMA INFORMED APPROACH

January 11 at 1PM | Honor Currie Room

This community-focused session explores the role that traumatic experiences can have in people's everyday lives. The focus of this information is to offer a generous approach by implementing skills that help the community adopt a trauma-

informed approach in the relationships and roles they have. Trauma is part of human experience and working from a trauma-informed lens acknowledges the prevalence of trauma within the population. The hope of sharing this information is that together we can create a kinder, more generous community for everyone. **Online registration required.**



MEEPLES AT THE LIBRARY

January 11 at 1PM | February 8 at 1PM | Downstairs behind the Reference Desk

The library invites anyone interested in board games to come together to explore this exciting world. Whether you prefer strategy games, cooperative challenges or quick light-hearted fun, there's a game for you. Play one of our games in the collection or bring one of your favourites.

BANFF CENTRE MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL WORLD TOUR

January 12, 13, 14 at 7PM | Esplanade Main Theatre

The Medicine Hat Public Library in partnership with the Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre are pleased to announce that the Banff Centre Mountain Film Festival World Tour is returning to Medicine Hat! Three unique adventure film screenings will be held at the Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre. Thanks to our local sponsor Cancarb. Tickets are available at tixx.ca.



CREATIVE WRITING GROUP

January 16 at 6PM | February 13 at 6PM | Legion Room

Join our relaxed and welcoming creative writing group at the library! Whether you're an experienced writer or just starting out, this is a quiet space to share ideas and write alongside others.

AN ENNEAGRAM ADVENTURE

January 18 at 2PM | Legion Room

Curious about what makes you "you"? Join us for a fun, interactive dive into the Enneagram, a powerful personality system that reveals nine unique types. Whether you're a "Perfectionist," a "Helper" or a "Peacemaker," you'll discover your core motivations, strengths, and challenges. Through a quiz and lively discussion, you'll learn how the Enneagram can improve your self-awareness — while having a blast along the way! **Online registration required.**

PECHA KUCHA - MEDICINE HAT - VOL. 33

January 18 at 7PM | Esplanade Main Theatre

Join us in the Main Theatre of the Esplanade for a night of connecting with our community. Enjoy talks from passionate people about interesting things in a 20x20 format - 20 slides x 20 seconds per slide. Suggested donation of \$5. Cash bar with snacks available. Doors open at 7PM, program begins promptly at 7:30PM.

FICTION BOOK CLUB - JANUARY

January 21 at 6:30PM | Legion Room

We're reading our way through the Library's Book Club Kits! In January we're reading "The Kaiju Preservation Society" by John Scalzi.



HEALTHY EATING ON A BUDGET

January 21 at 6:30PM | Honor Currie Room

Join Alison Van Dyke from Community Food Connections Association to learn about menu planning, shopping, cooking and making healthy choices. You will also learn about local food programs and resources that will save you money and support local producers. **Online registration required.**

SEARCHING FOR YOUR FAMILY TREE?

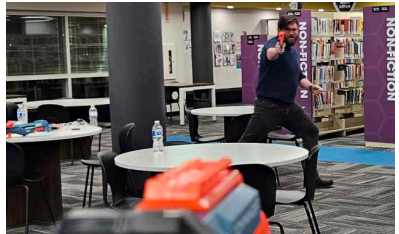
January 23 at 1PM | January 25 at 10AM | Reference Workroom

Sign up for a one-on-one session with a library staff member to learn how to use the Library edition of Ancestry and FamilySearch. Staff will demonstrate how the program works and provide some time for you to practice using it. **Online registration required.**

RECONNECTING TO PLAY: NERF WARS

January 24 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Play builds connection, resiliency and creativity - so why stop playing as an adult? Let's get back to it! Come rebel against the pressure of adulthood and join us for a fun-filled evening battling with Nerf guns! **Online registration required.**



PEER SUPPORT GROUP: NEURODIVERGENT YOUNG ADULTS (for ages 18+)

January 25 at 11AM | February 22 at 11AM | Legion Room

This peer support group is run by neurodivergent young adults with the support of members of the Medicine Hat Autism Society. It is a safe place for neurodivergent young adults (autistic, ADHD, and more) to visit and learn about resources that may be available to them. For more information email medicinehatautismsociety@gmail.com.

DIAMOND PAINTING

January 29 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Start the new year off with a soothing craft. This hobby combines paint-by-numbers with cross stitch. You apply resin "diamonds" to an adhesive canvas to make a beautiful work of art. A kit will be provided but you are also welcome to bring your own project.

Online registration required.



EXPLORE DIVERSE LANGUAGES: UNLOCK PRONUNCIATOR'S LINGUISTIC WEALTH

January 30 at 2PM | February 4 at 2PM | Public Internet Stations

Experience a personalized one-on-one session with a knowledgeable staff member who will assist you in navigating through the wealth of information available in this online resource. **Online registration required.**

RECONNECTING TO PLAY: GIANT PARACHUTE

January 30 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Play builds connection, resiliency and creativity - so why stop playing as an adult? Let's get back to it! Come rebel against the pressure of adulting and join us for a fun-filled and stress free evening of Giant Parachute games. **Online registration required.**

LET US SET YOU UP... WITH A BOOK

Feb. 1-14 | Information Desk

Looking for the love of your reading life? Let us set you up with a book this Valentine's Day! Scan to QR code to the right and fill out the quiz about your reading preferences, then we'll handpick a book we think you'll love. The online quiz will be available Feb. 1-7 until all spots are filled, and then your valentine will be ready for you to pick up on Feb. 14. Patrons must have a valid library card in good standing to sign up for this program. **Online registration required.**



REEL ROOTS: STORIES OF SUSTAINABLE FOOD

February 1 at 1PM | Honor Currie Room, Theatre

In partnership with Community Food Connections Association, we will be screening 3-5 Depth of Field Films produced by the National Farmers Union. These short films "introduce consumers (us!) to farmers across Canada who are implementing sustainable practices." **Online registration required.**

HEARCANADA PRESENTATION

February 3 at 10AM | Honor Currie Room, Legion Room

Join us during Community Coffee for an informative session with Amanda Jenkins and Jackie Velcoff from HearCANADA as they share valuable insights on auditory wellness and the correlation between diabetes and hearing loss. Following the presentation, they'll be offering 10-minute hearing screenings to discover your hearing colour.

BLIND DATE WITH A BOOK

Available Starting Feb. 7 | Display Near The Information Desk

Valentine's Day: a time to celebrate with the one you love... or the one you love to read. Stop by the library to borrow a blind date book where the cover and blurb are hidden. Unwrap your mystery book and you might just fall in love!

DE-STRESS WORKSHOP

February 8 at 10:30AM | Legion Room

This interactive workshop is to learn about stress, identify stressors, and recognize personal signs of stress. Several coping skills and strategies are explored, and participants will leave the workshop with a personalized stress management plan.

Online registration required.



ROMANCE BOOK CLUB

February 11 at 6:30PM | Legion Room

Love is in the pages! This month we're hosting a one-time romance book club! Selected by your popular vote we'll be reading "The Pumpkin Spice Cafe" by Laurie Gilmore. Pick up your copy at the Information Desk and then join us to discuss the book. Limited copies are available.

FICTION BOOK CLUB - FEBRUARY

February 18 at 6:30PM | Legion Room

We're reading our way through the Library's Book Club Kits! In February we're reading "And the Birds Rained Down" by Jocelyne Saucier.



RECONNECTING TO PLAY: BIG BLUE BLOCKS

February 25 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Play builds connection, resiliency and creativity - so why stop playing as an adult? Let's get back to it! Come rebel against the pressure of adulting and join us to build forts and whatever else your imagination can create with Big Blue Blocks! **Online registration required.**

DIY COASTERS

February 26 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Homemade coasters are perfect for home decor or a thoughtful gift. Craft some unique ones and enjoy a few hours of creativity during this evening program. **Online registration required.**

SIPS AND SOCIALS: NERD NIGHT

February 27 at 6PM | Station Coffee Co.

Come to Station Coffee Co. to make new friends and build connections over common interests in a no-pressure setting. Each table will have a discussion topic to help you find like-minded people to enjoy your evening with. This February our theme is Nerd Night with topics like Dungeons & Dragons, anime, video games and more! Snacks will be provided by the library. Drinks are available for purchase. Thank you to our friends at Station Coffee Co. for hosting us!



FOOD FOR FINES!

We'll waive \$2 of fines for each non-perishable item you bring in, up to a maximum of \$20.

Every Thursday from 10am-8pm



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FOOD & WELLNESS HUB

love the library?



Get involved with planning and fundraising at your library!

From planning to fundraising, there are many ways to stay involved with MHPL.

For more information call 403-502-8527.

BOARD MEETINGS

Library Board meetings are normally held the first Wednesday of every month, with the exception of July and August. Meetings are open to the public; please email our Chief Librarian if you're interested in attending (kenf@shortgrass.ca).

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Interested in getting more involved? Want to help plan our annual book sale or other fundraising events? The Friends of the Library might just be the place for you. Contact us for more information: 403-502-8525 or mhploffice@shortgrass.ca.

A LIBRARY CARD FOR EVERY HATTER

The A Library Card for Every Hatter campaign keeps library cards FREE for Hatters thanks to donations from community businesses and organizations! Thank you for supporting MHPL and the community. Contact Chris at chrisb@shortgrass.ca or 403-502-8536 if you want to be the next library card sponsor.



**medicine hat
public library**

Library Hours

Monday, Friday, Saturday: 10AM-5PM
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10AM-8PM
Sunday: 1PM-5PM

Closed Days

Monday, January 1, 2025
Monday, February 17, 2025



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENTAL play space

Drop-in times

Monday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday:
1PM - 4:45PM
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:
1PM - 7:45PM

Booking times

Monday-Saturday:
10:15-11AM &
11:30AM-12:15PM
Use the QR Code to book

