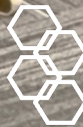


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# what's on

at the medicine hat public library

SPRING BOOK SALE  
DUNGEONS  
& DRAGONS  
HOME ROUTES  
CONCERT SERIES  
SPRING STORYCRAFTS  
READING QUEST  
And More!



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# children

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

*March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 at 1PM | April 12, 19, 26 at 1PM |  
Theatre, Play Space, Meeting Rooms, 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)*

*March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 at 10:30AM | April 7 at 10:30AM |  
Story Castle*

Toddler Storytime features stories, songs and rhymes for busy toddlers (approximately 18-36 months of age). 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 12 - 36 months)*

*March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 at 11:15AM | April 7 at 11:15AM |  
Co-op Community Developmental Play Space*

Free Caregiver Coaching with your 12-36 month old. Come join us for one, a few, or all the sessions, with your child, to have fun learning through play! Everyone welcome. Weekly topics include: first words, following their lead, and expanding language. Call the Medicine Hat Regional Hospital's Speech, Language and Hearing Department at 403-528-8175 to register.

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

*March 4, 11, 18, 25 at 10:30AM | April 1, 8 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)*

*March 5, 12, 19, 26 at 10:30AM | April 2, 9 at 10:30AM | Story Castle*  
*March 5, 12, 19, 26 at 2PM | April 2, 9 at 2PM | Story Castle*

This lapsit program features bounces and tickles, as well as songs and stories for babies from birth to approximately 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.**

## **PAPER BAG PRINCESS DAY** *(for ages 9 and under)*

*March 7 | Kinsmen Children's Library*

Celebrate the iconic Robert Munsch book "The Paper Bag Princess" with a take-home activity kit packed with fun! This year's theme "Dare to Be Brave!" honours Elizabeth's courage and bravery when faced with adversity. Limited kits are available on a first come, first served basis.

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

*March 7, 14, 28 at 10AM | April 4, 11, 18, 25 at 10AM | Honor Currie Room*

Drop in for an hour of hands-on fun, where little ones can explore, create and get curious with loose parts play! We'll have all sorts of fun, age-appropriate materials for kids to move, stack, tinker, and play with. This program is suitable for ages 1-3. Children must have an adult caregiver present with them at all times during this program.

## **"HELLO SPRING!" A BLOOMS & TUNES STORYCRAFT** *(for ages 4 - 6)*

*March 7 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room*

Get ready to wiggle, sing, and create as we say "Hello Spring!" We'll explore the magical world of blooming flowers, buzzing bees, and fluttering butterflies through fun songs, hands-on crafts, and exciting activities. Bring your favourite spring stuffie: bears, bugs, anything goes! For children ages 4-6 with a parent or other adult caregiver. **Online registration required.**





## DROP-IN READ TO DARBY *(for all ages)*

March 14, 28 at 10:15AM | April 11, 25 at 10:15AM | 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 Hatters visited her at the library and shared their favourite books. Darby and Melissa will be at the library until 12PM on the above dates. Please note all children need to be accompanied by a parent or other adult caregiver during their visit with Darby.



## SLOTH STORYCRAFT *(for ages 4 - 6)*

March 28 at 2PM | Story Castle

Slink into this silly sloth storycraft where we'll enjoy fun stories and make an adorable sloth craft. For children ages 4-6 with a parent or other adult caregiver. **Online registration required.**

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

March 30 at 10:30AM | April 27 at 10:30AM |  
Story Castle, Co-op Community Developmental Playspace

Drop in to share in stories, songs and rhymes including Indigenous culture and traditions such as drumming, followed by play time. Children must attend with a parent or other adult caregiver.

## READING QUEST *(for ages 7 - 9)*

April 1-30 | Kinsmen Children's Library  
Wrap-up Party | April 25 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

For the month of April, choose a daily reading goal, track your progress, and earn collectable trading cards as you go. For every three days you complete your goal, visit the Children's Library to collect a card and enter a ballot for the grand prize pictured here. Join us for a wrap up party at the end of the month to trade cards and enjoy fun activities. Reading Quest trackers can be picked up between **March 27** and **April 10**.



## SPRING BOOK BINGO *(for ages 0 - 6)*

April 1-30 | Kinsmen Children's Library

Children ages 6 and under can work towards a bingo by completing seasonal activities like reading books, watching movies, and enjoying springtime fun. Mark off your squares and return your completed bingo sheet to the Children's Library by May 3 for a chance to win the prize pictured here.



## EARTH DAY STORYCRAFT *(for ages 4 - 6)*

April 18 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Celebrate Earth Day with stories, songs, and a craft! For children ages 4-6 with a parent or other adult caregiver. **Online registration required.**



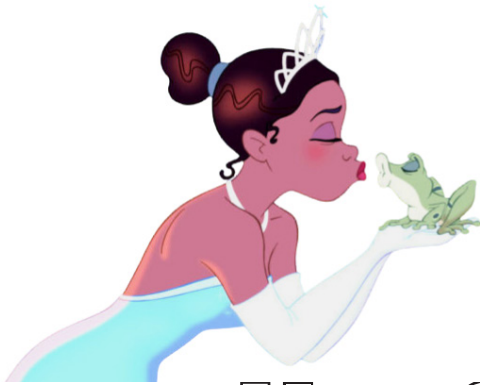
## POEM IN YOUR POCKET DAY *(for ages 12 and under)*

April 23 | Kinsmen Children's Library

Celebrate Poem in Your Pocket Day! Stop by the Children's Desk to pick up a token, then use it in our special machine to receive a poem to carry with you all day. Share it, read it, or enjoy it on your own — let poetry bring a little magic to your day!

***The Co-op Community  
Developmental Play Space  
will be closed for  
maintenance and cleaning  
from March 16-20.***





# family films

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## THE WILD

2PM | Theatre

An adolescent lion is accidentally shipped from the New York Zoo to Africa. Now running free, his zoo pals must put aside their differences to help bring him back. Featuring the voices of Kiefer Sutherland and Jim Belushi. 82 mins.

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## THE PRINCESS AND THE FROG

2PM | Theatre

A waitress desperate to fulfill her dreams as a restaurant owner is set on a journey to turn a frog prince back into a human, but she has to face the same problem after she kisses him. Featuring the voices of Anika Noni Rose and Oprah Winfrey. 98 mins.

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## TREASURE PLANET

2PM | Theatre

Jim Hawkins is a teenager who finds the map of a great treasure hidden by a space pirate. Together with some friends, he sets off in a large spaceship, shaped like a caravel, on his quest. Featuring the voices of Joseph Gordon-Levitt and Emma Thompson. 93 mins.

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## OVER THE HEDGE

2PM | Theatre

A scheming raccoon fools a mismatched family of forest creatures into helping him repay a debt of food, by invading the new suburban sprawl that popped up while they were hibernating...and learns a lesson about family himself. Featuring the voices of Bruce Willis and Steve Carell. 83 mins.



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## HORTON HEARS A WHO

2PM | Theatre

Horton the Elephant struggles to protect a microscopic community from his neighbors who refuse to believe it exists. Featuring the voices of Jim Carrey and Steve Carell. 84 mins.

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## RANGO

2PM | Theatre

Rango is an ordinary chameleon who accidentally winds up in the town of Dirt, a lawless outpost in the Wild West in desperate need of a new sheriff. Featuring the voices of Johnny Depp and Isla Fisher. 105 mins.



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## MEET THE ROBINSONS

2PM | Theatre

Lewis is a brilliant inventor who meets mysterious stranger named Wilbur Robinson, whisking Lewis away in a time machine and together they team up to track down Bowler Hat Guy in a showdown that ends with an unexpected twist of fate. Featuring the voices of Daniel Hanson and Wesley Singerman. 94 mins.

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## ZOOTOPIA

2PM | Theatre

In a city of anthropomorphic animals, a rookie bunny cop and a cynical con artist fox must work together to uncover a conspiracy. Featuring the voices of Ginnifer Goodwin, Jason Bateman, and Idris Elba. 108 mins.



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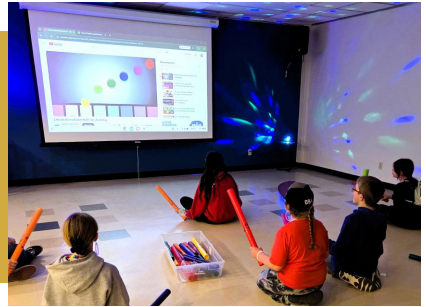
# tweens

## TWEEN NIGHT: DANCE, PLAY, SING

(for ages 10 - 12)

March 26 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Come ready for a night of non-stop fun! Dance to the beats, sing your heart out, and play with boomwhackers. **Online registration required.**



## POETRY KITS (for ages 10 - 12)

Starting April 1 | Kinsmen Children's Library

It's National Poetry Month! Tweens can swing by the Children's Desk to grab a poetry kit and unleash their inner poet! Available while supplies last.

## READING QUEST (for ages 10 - 12)

April 1-30 | Kinsmen Children's Library

Wrap-up Party | April 25 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

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# teens

## **DOODLE DEN** *(for ages 13 - 19)*

*March 3, 17 at 5PM | April 11, 17, 25 at 2PM | Honeycomb House*

Love to doodle? Want to practice and improve your art skills? Join us for the Doodle Den! We will dedicate time to drawing together, giving one another tips and tricks, or even suggestions on how to improve our skills! Bring your art supplies or use the supplies we have available to doodle.

## **HAPPY LITTLE ACCIDENTS PAINTING PROGRAM** *(for ages 13 - 19)*



*March 6, 20 at 3PM | Honeycomb House*

Enhance your artistic abilities and come paint with us! This program will focus on learning painting techniques, while challenging you with use of colour in your artwork. All materials will be provided for teens to come and have some fun!

## **NEURODIVERGENT TEEN MEET-UP** *(for ages 13 - 17)*

*March 7 at 11AM | April 25 at 11AM | Honeycomb House*

Designed to be a welcoming space for neurodivergent teens (autistic, ADHD, and more) to connect, have fun, build friendships, and be themselves. With the support of members of the Medicine Hat Autism Society.

## **ADULTING 101: RENTING TIPS** *(for ages 16 - 24)*

*March 10 at 4PM | Legion Room*

Are you a young adult who is hoping to move out soon, and have no idea where to start when it comes to renting? Staff from McMan Youth Hub will be here to give you the best tips for first-time renters!

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


March 11 at 5PM | April 8 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.

**GAMING CLUB** *(for ages 13 - 19)*

March 12, 19, 26 at 5:30PM | April 9, 16, 23 at 5:30PM | Honeycomb House

Join us in the Honeycomb House for an evening dedicated to gaming. Try out our various gaming consoles and computers including our newest addition... the Nintendo Switch 2!




# HONEYCOMB HOUSE


## MARCH


For teens aged 13 - 19.  
No registration required.

	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>Needle Felting Week</b> Learn a new craft! →	Doodle Den @ 5:00 pm		<b>CLOSED</b>	Painting Program @ 3:00 pm		
	10	11	12	13	14	15
<b>Welcome Spring Week</b> Decorate for spring! →		Unity Circle @ 5:00 pm	Gaming Club @ 5:30 pm	Teen Night: Movie Night @ 6:45 pm		<b>CLOSED</b>
	17	18	19	20	21	22
<b>Air Dry Clay Week</b> Create with clay! →	Doodle Den @ 5:00 pm		Gaming Club @ 5:30 pm	Painting Program @ 3:00 pm		
	24	25	26	27	28	29
<b>Lego Week</b> Play with Legos! →		Sensory Fun @ 5:00 pm	Gaming Club @ 5:30 pm	Teen Night: Space Night @ 6:45 pm	<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
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<b>Popsicle Stick Week</b> Craft with sticks! →	<p><b>Drop in Hours*</b>                      Tues, Wed, Thur: 3:30 - 7:30 PM                      Fri, Sat: 1:00 - 4:30 PM  <b>CLOSED MONDAYS</b>                      *Hours are subject to change</p>					






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

March 13 at 6:45PM | Honor Currie Room, Legion Room, Theatre

Welcome in Spring with a bug-themed movie night! Teens will vote between "A Bug's Life" (G), "Antz" (PG), "Bee Movie" (PG), and "Turbo" (PG) upon arrival. Popcorn donated by Galaxy Cinemas Medicine Hat. Doors open 6:45 - 7:15PM then locked for your safety. Ends at 9PM.

### SENSORY FUN *(for ages 13 - 19)*

March 25 at 5PM | April 15 at 5PM | Honeycomb House

This evening in the Honeycomb House is dedicated to sensory play! We will have various sensory objects, chill music, low lighting, and more. Come relax and allow yourself to enjoy the sensory fun!

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

March 27 at 6:45PM | Honor Currie Room, Legion Room, Theatre

We're blasting off to the final frontier, where no teen has gone before... a space-themed Teen Night! Complete with a black-light dance room, space trivia, DIY galaxy jars, and more. Snacks and pop provided. Doors open 6:45-7:15 PM then locked for your safety. Ends at 9PM.



### READING QUEST *(for ages 13 - 19)*

April 1-30 | Kinsmen Children's Library

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## DUNGEONS & DRAGONS IN THE LIBRARY *(for ages 13 - 19)*

*April 4, 11 at 10:30AM | Theatre*

Whether you are a Dungeons & Dragons enthusiast or just a beginner, all are welcome to this new series of monthly one-shots! Please ensure you can attend both sessions upon registration. Premade characters and dice will be available to all players, or feel free to bring in your own level 1 character. In partnership with Pop Up Parks. **Online registration required.**



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

*April 10 at 6:45PM | Honor Currie Room, Legion Room, Theatre*

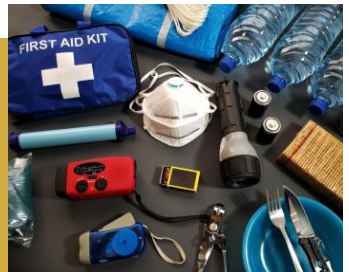
Come down to the library for an after-hours night of video games, crafts and karaoke! Try out our brand new Switch 2 or go "old school" on the XBOX or PS5. Create your own stickers or try wool felting. And don't forget to belt out your favourite tunes in the Theatre. Snacks and pop provided. Doors open 6:45-7:15 PM then locked for your safety. Ends at 9PM.

## ADVENTURE SMART: SURVIVAL KITS

*(for ages 13 - 19)*

*April 14 at 4PM | Honor Currie Room*

Get informed and go outdoors! Each participant will leave the session with their very own basic outdoor "survival kit." In partnership with AdventureSmart. **Online registration required.**



## DUNGEON MASTERS IN TRAINING *(for ages 13 - 19)*


*April 18 at 10:30AM | Theatre*

Learn how to run your own Dungeon & Dragons campaigns! Must have some Dungeons & Dragons prior knowledge and/or experience. In partnership with Pop Up Parks. **Online registration required.**

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

April 24 at 6:45PM | Honor Currie Room, Legion Room, Theatre

Take part in a variety of medieval activities such as pool noodle games, cardboard armor making, family crest painting, and more! With special guests from the Sandeshend Shire of Society of Creative Anachronisms (SCA) who will provide in-person demonstrations of medieval skills, arts, combat, and culture. Snacks provided. Doors open 6:45-7:15PM only then locked for your safety. Ends at 9PM.




# HONEYCOMB HOUSE


## APRIL


For teens aged 13 - 19.  
No registration required.

	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
		1	2	3	4	5
<b>Popsicle Stick Week</b> Craft with sticks! →			CLOSED	CLOSED		CLOSED
	7	8	9	10	11	12
<b>Tic Tac Toe Week</b> Make your own! →		Unity Circle @ 5:00pm	Gaming Club @ 5:30 pm	<b>Teen Night:</b> Crafts & Controllers @ 6:45 pm	Doodle Den @ 2:00pm	
	14	15	16	17	18	19
<b>Pony Beads Week</b> Makin' bracelets! →			Gaming Club @ 5:30 pm	Doodle Den @ 2:00pm		
	21	22	23	24	25	26
<b>Sticker Making Week</b> Make unique stickers! →	Sensory Fun @ 5:00pm		Gaming Club @ 5:30 pm	<b>Teen Night:</b> Medieval Night @ 6:45 pm	Doodle Den @ 2:00pm	
	28	29	30			
<b>Watercolours week</b> Paint with watercolours! →	<b>Drop in Hours*</b> Tues, Wed, Thur: 3:30 - 7:30 PM Fri, Sat: 1:00 - 4:30 PM CLOSED MONDAYS *Hours are subject to change					





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# HOME ROUTES CONCERT SERIES

## IONA LANE

March 6 at 7PM | Theatre

*In support of the Medicine Hat Women's Shelter Society*

Iona Lane is a Highlands-based singer-songwriter whose work is deeply rooted in landscape, ecology, and folklore. Her new album "Swilkie" brings together poetic songwriting and atmospheric



melodies inspired by three artist residencies on the Isle of Eigg, the Isle of Mull, and Sanday in Orkney. Each song is shaped by a strong sense of place—where lighthouses, curlews, basking sharks, lichen, and disappearing islands all find their way into her vivid narratives. Recorded in a boathouse on Scotland's West Coast, "Swilkie" carries

the subtle presence of the sea, with the gentle wash of tide quietly woven into the album's texture. Iona's music reflects her deep connection to coastal environments, expressed through evolving vocal lines, delicate guitar work,

and the warm drone of shruti box. Her songwriting invites listeners into contemplative, immersive soundscapes that honour both the fragility and resilience of the natural world. Half of the ticket sales for this concert will be donated to the Medicine Hat Women's Shelter Society, the other half to the artist. [www.ionalane.com](http://www.ionalane.com)

**Tickets for either show are available at the Info Desk for \$10 each or three for \$24.**

## KAELEY JADE

April 12 at 7PM | Theatre

*In support of the Root Cellar Food & Wellness Hub*

Kaeley Jade is a Métis singer-songwriter Edmonton blending folk, pop, and indie rock with lush imagery and stunning vocals. Her debut album Turpentine earned a Canadian Folk Music Award, Western



Canadian Music Award nomination, and Indigenous Music Award, with global radio play and placements in Warrior Up! and Hockey Night in Canada. Known for electrifying live shows, she performs solo and with her

full band. Beyond music, Kaeley is a multidisciplinary artist with a BFA in Acting, contributing as a composer and actor to projects like the country-folk musical Two-Headed/Half-Hearted. She embraces

vulnerability, change, and fierce love in her art. Half of the ticket sales for this concert will be donated to the Root Cellar Food & Wellness Hub, the other half to the artist. [www.kaelyjade.com](http://www.kaelyjade.com)

**Tickets for either show are available at the Info Desk for \$10 each or three for \$24.**

# adults

## COMMUNITY COFFEE

*March 2, 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 23, 27, 30 at 10AM | April 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27 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.



## STITCHING IN THE AFTERNOON

*March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 at 1PM | April 7, 14, 21, 28 at 1PM | Legion Room*

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

## REPAIRING YOUR RELATIONSHIP

*March 3 at 5:30PM | April 7 at 5:30PM | Honor Currie Room*

Are you ready to take your relationship to the next level? Join Medicine Hat Family Service's Repairing Your Relationship program at the library—designed specifically for couples who want to deepen their bond, improve communication and create a stronger, healthier connection. Registration required by calling 403-504-8026 or emailing [groupfacilitator@mhfamilyservice.com](mailto:groupfacilitator@mhfamilyservice.com).

## CIRCLE T TOASTMASTERS CLUB

*March 3, 17 at 6:30PM | April 7, 21 at 6:30PM | Theatre*

Looking to sharpen your public speaking and communication skills in a relaxed, supportive setting? Our club might be just what you are looking for. We focus on building confidence through prepared speeches, impromptu speaking and thoughtful feedback. Whether you're a beginner or more experienced, you'll find a welcoming space to grow at your own pace. All adults are welcome.

## AFTERNOON MOVIE FOR ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS

*March 4 at 1PM | April 1 at 1PM | Theatre*

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

## READERS' THEATRE

*March 5, 12, 26 at 1PM | April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at 1PM | Honor Currie Room*

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

## PATHWAYS TO RECOVERY

*March 5, 19 at 6:30PM | April 2, 16, 30 at 6:30PM | Theatre*

Hosted by Our Collective Journey, Pathways to Recovery is a community support group that focuses on bringing people together who are impacted by addiction. The atmosphere is solution focused and comes with an opportunity to share, educate, and support anyone wanting to explore their path to recovery.



## SEARCHING FOR YOUR FAMILY TREE?

*March 7 at 10AM | March 19 at 6PM | Reference Workroom  
April 23 at 6PM | April 30 at 6PM | 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.**

## FRESH BREW AND FRENCH CONVERSATION

*March 7, 28 at 10:30AM | April 4, 11, 25 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

March 7, 28 at 1PM | April 4, 18 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.*



### WHY AM I SO TIRED?

March 10 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Ever wonder why you feel worn out even when you are doing all the right things? In partnership with Medicine Hat Family Services and the Recovery College, this session looks at how stress, emotional load, and daily habits quietly impact your energy and what you can do to restore it. **Online registration required.**

## RECONNECTING TO PLAY: GIANT GAMES (for ages 19+)

March 11 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 playing with Giant Games like Snakes & Ladders, Jenga, and Tetris! For ages 19+. **Online registration required.**

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

March 14 at 11AM | April 18 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](mailto:medicinehatautismsociety@gmail.com).

## SCIENCES OF HOPE AND RESILIENCE WORKSHOP

March 14 at 1PM | Legion Room

In partnership with Recovery Alberta, this workshop will teach fundamental elements of brain science with a focus on the strengths of knowing how this can positively impact the community. The interactive session will examine brain structure, the unconscious responses of fight, flight, freeze, and fawn, the roles of different parts of the brain, and how adverse childhood experiences relate to brain development.

**Online registration required.**

## BOOK LAUNCH: I AM WHO I AM BY JOE MILLER

March 14 at 2PM | Theatre

"I Am Who I Am," the follow up to "Who Am I," is the story of the life Joe Miller built from nothing: a family and a legacy that will live on. It's about finding meaning not just in survival, but in love, fatherhood, and the quiet victory of perseverance. Through job losses and financial hardships, Joe charted a winding path that brought him from India to post-war London to the Welsh coast, and finally across the Atlantic to Canada. Joe's story is for anyone who has ever stumbled, fallen, and had to start over in life. He holds fast to one truth: resilience isn't just about standing tall—it's about rising up each time you've been knocked flat and turning your journey into an adventure.

## FICTION BOOK CLUB - MARCH

March 17 at 6:30PM | Legion Room

We're reading our way through the Library's Book Club Kits! In March we're reading "Five Little Indians" by Michelle Good. Copies of the book will be available at the Information Desk starting **Feb. 18** while they last.



## SPRING BOOK SALE

March 20, 21 at 10AM | Honor Currie Room, Legion Room

The Friends of the Medicine Hat Public Library is hosting another book sale on March 20 from 10AM until 5PM and March 21 from 10AM until 3PM! If you need to make room on your shelves for all your new purchases, donations of gently-used books will be accepted at the library from March 1-14.

## WANDERHOME: A PASTORAL FANTASY TTRPG *(for ages 18+)*

March 24, 31 at 6 PM | April 14, 28 at 6 PM | Honor Currie Room

Leave your sword behind and step into a world of swaying grass and shaded creeks. Wanderhome is a collaborative, diceless role-playing game where players become traveling animal-folk exploring a peaceful world. Inspired by the cozy whimsy of Studio Ghibli and the drama of Redwall, this game focuses on storytelling, community, and the changing seasons rather than combat. No previous RPG experience is required. Come prepared to relax and imagine. *Please note that this program is offered twice due to high enrolment; please register for only one session.* **Online registration required.**

## DIY FOLDED BOOK VASE

March 25 at 6PM | March 28 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

Learn how to transform an old hardcover book into a beautiful vase for a floral arrangement. *Please note that this program is offered twice due to high enrolment; please register for only one session.* **Online registration required.**

## RECONNECTING TO PLAY: QUIET SENSORY PLAY *(for ages 19+)*

March 25 at 6PM | Legion Room

Play builds connection, resiliency and creativity- so let's get creative with our ideas of play! Come rebel against the pressures of adulthood and calm that nervous system with a low light, quiet sensory night. For ages 19+. **Online registration required.**

## SIPS AND SOCIALS: GARDENING NIGHT

March 26 at 6-8PM | Station Coffee Co. (644 Second St. SE)

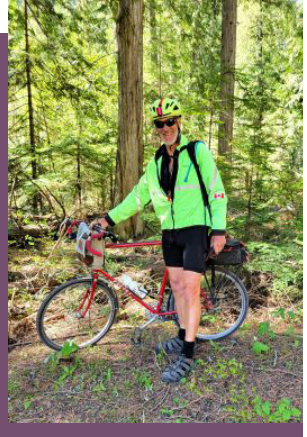
Come to Station Coffee Co. to make new friends and build connections over common interests in a no-pressure setting. Each table will have a discussion topic to help you find like-minded people to enjoy your evening with. This month our theme is Gardening Night with topics like container gardening, xeriscaping, 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!



## COMMUNITY TRAVELOGUE: DON ZIMMER - CANADA COAST-TO-COAST BY BICYCLE

March 26 at 6:30PM | Theatre

Ten years in the planning, Don finally set out to bicycle from sea to sea on April 26, 2025. With Elaine as his support in the truck camper, the adventure would take 6 months and travel over 8,000 kms. The goal was set as Victoria, B.C. to St. John's, Nfld. The bikes were old school hard-tail road bikes - nothing fancy but proven reliable. "We didn't over plan it so there'd be an element of adventure. In hindsight, there were parts we could have done without, but we made it and they make for good stories."



## SPRING MEDICINE HAT FILM FESTIVAL

March 28 at 2PM | Theatre

What Matters to Hatters presents the Spring Medicine Hat Film Festival, a bi-annual celebration intended to foster a sense of hope, resiliency, and connection in our community. The festival will showcase short films from Project UnLonely, as well as other local films never seen before! Following the film screenings, a panel discussion will offer space for thoughtful dialogue, reflection, and connection. This event aims to bring people together and strengthen our community—one film at a time, please join us!

## INFERTILITY, PREGNANCY LOSS AND INFANT LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

March 31 at 6PM | April 28 at 6PM | Legion Room

This group is open to anyone affected by infertility, pregnancy loss or infant loss. This is a welcoming, non-judgmental, safe space for all individuals who have experienced infertility and/or pregnancy loss and/or infant loss. A safe space created to connect, share, develop open discussion through peer support and heal together. Led by participants with assistance from professionals. Together, we'll navigate the complex emotions and find solace among those who understand. Presented by Medicine Hat Family Service.

## TRAUMA INFORMED WORKSHOP

April 11 at 1PM | Legion Room

In partnership with Recovery Alberta, this workshop will teach community members to adopt a trauma-informed approach in the relationships and roles. The hope of sharing this information is that together we can create a kinder, more generous community for everyone. **Online registration required.**



## UNDERSTANDING ESTRANGEMENT

*April 14 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room*

This is a compassionate mental health and wellness course that explores the emotional impact of distance or disconnection from family, friends, or community. Through gentle reflection and practical tools, participants gain insight, validation, and support for navigating complex feelings with greater self-compassion and resilience. In partnership with Medicine Hat Family Services and the Recovery College. **Online registration required.**

## RECONNECTING TO PLAY: BOOK BURGLAR GAMES (for ages 19+)

*April 17 at 6PM | Library After Hours*

Play builds connection, resiliency and creativity- so let's get creative with our ideas of play! Come rebel against the pressures of adulting with Book Burglar Games! Can you complete the games and secure the prize before the clock runs out? For ages 19+.

**Online registration required.**

## FILM SCREENING: STOLEN TIME

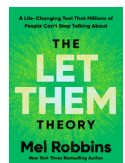
*April 18 at 2PM | Theatre*

In partnership with the Palliser Friends of Medicare, we will be screening "Stolen Time," a NFB documentary that follows elder rights lawyer Melissa Miller and hundreds of aggrieved families as they take on the corporate for-profit nursing-home industry—an industry notorious for its lack of transparency and accountability. Discussion to follow.

## THE LET THEM THEORY BY MEL ROBBINS: A CRITICAL CONVERSATION

*April 21 at 6PM | Legion Room*

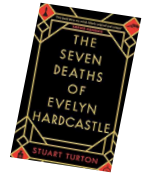
In partnership with Medicine Hat Family Services and the Recovery College, we will be discussing some of the hottest self-help books, starting with "The Let Them Theory" by Mel Robbins. What lessons can we realistically apply to our daily lives? Let's explore and evaluate the principles of this theory together in a casual, supportive setting. A limited supply of books will be available at the Info Desk for checkout starting on April 1; other copies can be acquired through the library catalogue. **Online registration required.**



## FICTION BOOK CLUB - APRIL

April 21 at 6:30PM | Legion Room

We're reading our way through the Library's Book Club Kits! In April we're reading "The Seven Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle" by Stuart Turton. Copies of the book will be available at the information desk starting March 18 while they last.



## MAKE YOUR OWN RUBBER STAMPS

April 25 at 2PM | Legion Room | April 29 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Learn how to make hand-carved rubber stamps and have some fun along the way. Please note that this program is offered twice due to high enrolment; please register for only one session. **Online registration required.**

## RECONNECTING TO PLAY: UNHINGED POWERPOINT NIGHT

(for ages 19+)

April 29 at 6PM | Theatre

Play builds connection, resiliency and creativity- so let's get creative with our ideas of play! Come rebel against the pressures of adulthood with an unhinged PowerPoint night. We pick the topic and you deliver it to a group of your soon to be new friends. For ages 19+. **Online registration required.**



## BREWS AND BOARD GAMES

April 30 at 6-9PM | Station Coffee Co. (644 Second St. SE)

Join us for a fun-filled board game night at Station Coffee Co.! Whether you're a strategy master or a casual player, come enjoy friendly competition, meet new people, and explore classic and modern board games. No experience necessary—just bring your enthusiasm! Snacks and good company provided. Thank you to our friends at Station Coffee Co. for hosting us!



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## 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 ([kentf@shortgrass.ca](mailto:kentf@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](mailto:mhploffice@shortgrass.ca).

## MHPL FOR YXH

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### Library Hours

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

### Closed Days

Friday, April 3, 2026  
Sunday, April 5, 2026

### 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

