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what's on

at the medicine hat public library

BOOKS ON TRIAL
DIY WRAPPING PAPER
FALL BOOK SALE
WRITING WITH
OLIVIA M. GEIB
And More!



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DROP-IN FAMILY DAY *(for ages 12 and under)*

*November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 at 1PM | December 6, 13, 20, 27 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.

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

*November 2, 9, 16, 23 at 10AM | December 7, 14, 21, 28 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. Children must have an adult caregiver present with them at all times during this program. For children ages 1-3 years. (The library will be closed on Nov. 30)

DINOVEMBER: DISCOVERING DINOSAURS *(for ages 4 - 6)*

November 7 at 1:30PM | Theatre

Explore the Royal Tyrrell Museum's world-famous Dinosaur Hall from the comfort of the library! This remote tour introduces young participants to the study of palaeontology, and the dinosaurs that lived in ancient Alberta. Each stop explores a different curriculum concept

like carnivores and herbivores, predators and prey, or plants and the ancient environment. After the tour there will be lots of time for questions with dinosaur experts. A parent or adult caregiver must be present for the duration of this program. For children ages 4-6 years. Before or after our program you can get your picture taken with a dinosaur! For best results, avoid wearing green.

Online registration required.



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

November 10, 17, 24 at 10:30AM | December 1, 8, 15 at 10:30AM | Story Castle

Toddler Storytime features stories, songs, and rhymes for busy toddlers. A parent or adult caregiver must be present for the duration of this program. For children ages 18-36 months. 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)

November 10, 17, 24 at 11:15AM | December 1, 8, 15 at 11:15AM |

Co-op Community Developmental Play Space

Free caregiver coaching with your 12- to 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. If you have any questions, please call the Medicine Hat Regional Hospital's Speech, Language and Hearing Department at 403-528-8175.

FAMILY STORYTIME FOR PRESCHOOLERS (for ages 3 - 6)

November 18, 25 at 10:30AM | December 2, 9, 16 at 10:30AM | Story Castle

Preschool-aged children enjoy longer stories, songs, and rhymes while developing listening skills to get them ready for school. A parent or adult caregiver must be present for the duration of this program. For children ages 3-6 years. 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)

November 12, 19, 26 at 10:30AM | December 3, 10, 17 at 10:30AM | Story Castle

November 12, 19, 26 at 2PM | December 3, 10, 17 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. A parent or adult caregiver must be present for the duration of this program. For children ages 4-18 months. 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.**



PD DAY MOVIE: MINIONS & MONSTERS

November 12 at 1:30PM | Theatre

The minions set out to make a monster movie in 1920's Hollywood. 90 mins.

SCATCH-A-SAURUS STORYCRAFT *(for ages 7 - 9)*

November 12 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Sign up for a hands-on dinosaur craft session celebrating Dinovember! We will create dino art with a scratch board that reveals a rainbow of colours beneath. Scratch, scrape, and scribble your way to a prehistoric masterpiece! A parent or adult caregiver must be present at all times during this program. For children ages 7-9 years. **Online registration required.**

DINOVEMBER STORYCRAFT *(for ages 4 - 6)*

November 13 at 10:30AM | Honor Currie Room

Stomp on down to the library to celebrate Dinovember. We are going to read stories full of prehistoric adventure, and then do a dino-mite craft that little paleontologists will love. A parent or adult caregiver must be present at all times during this program. For children ages 4-6 years. **Online registration required.**

SCHOOL'S OUT, LET'S PLAY *(for ages 6 and under)*

*November 13 at 1:30PM | Miywasin Friendship Centre
(346 Fourth St. SE)*

In partnership with Medicine Hat Public School Division and the Miywasin Friendship Centre we're offering a free family program featuring stories and play for children ages 0-6. Please email sharon.mickey@sd76.ab.ca or text 403-952-9605 to register.



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

*November 23 at 10:30AM | December 14 at 10:30AM |
Story Castle, Co-op Community Developmental Play Space*

Families are encouraged to drop in to share in stories, songs and rhymes including Indigenous culture and traditions such as drumming, followed by play time. A parent or adult caregiver must be present for the duration of this program. For children ages 3-6 years.

GRINCHMAS *(for ages 4 - 6)*

December 5 at 10:30AM | Honor Currie Room

Have yourself a merry little Grinchmas! Join us for a read-aloud of Dr. Seuss' "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" and then get crafty making a Grinch-inspired craft. A parent or adult caregiver must be present at all times during this program. For children ages 4-6 years. **Online registration required.**

DIY WRAPPING PAPER *(for ages 7 - 9)*

December 10 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

The holidays are coming fast. Learn how to make your own wrapping paper and gift tags out of plain brown paper, and old books. A parent or adult caregiver must be present at all times during this program. For children ages 7-9 years. **Online registration required.**

CHRISTMAS STORYCRAFT *(for ages 4 - 6)*

December 12 at 2PM | Legion Room

Calling all of Santa's young helpers: join us for festive songs, stories, and even complete Reindeer Training for a special certificate and treat! A parent or adult caregiver must be present at all times during this program. For children ages 4-6 years. **Online registration required.**



REINDEER RESCUE SCAVENGER HUNT

(for ages 12 and under)

December 14-20 | Kinsmen Children's Library

Oh no!! Santa's reindeer have wandered off and gotten lost in the library! Help us wrangle all eight reindeer plus a few holiday friends hiding along the way. Find them all to earn a small prize. For families of children up to age 12.

FAMILY POKÉMON CARD TRADING *(for ages 12 and under)*

December 19 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

No need to travel across the land, or search far and wide - if you want to catch them all, just come on down to the library! Drop in to trade cards and make a quick winter themed Pokémon craft. Craft will be available while supplies last. A parent or adult caregiver must be present at all times during this program. For children ages 12 and under.

family films

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SHREK

2PM | Theatre

A mean lord exiles fairytale creatures to the swamp of a grumpy ogre, who must go on a quest and rescue a princess for the lord in order to get his land back. Starring the voices of Mike Myers, Cameron Diaz, and Eddie Murphy. 88 mins.

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SHREK 2

2PM | Theatre

Shrek and Fiona travel to the Kingdom of Far Far Away, where Fiona's parents are King and Queen, to celebrate their marriage. When they arrive, they find they are not as welcome as they thought they would be. Starring the voices of Mike Myers, Cameron Diaz, and Eddie Murphy. 92 mins.

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BABE

2PM | Theatre

Gentle farmer Arthur Hoggett wins a piglet Babe at a county fair. Narrowly escaping his fate as Christmas dinner, Babe bonds with motherly border collie Fly and discovers that he too can herd sheep. But will the other animals accept him? Starring James Cromwell, Magda Szubanski, and Christine Cavanaugh. 91 mins.

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BABE: PIG IN THE CITY

2PM | Theatre

Babe, fresh from his victory in the sheepherding contest, returns to Farmer Hoggett's farm, but after Farmer Hoggett is injured and unable to work, Babe has to go to the big city to save the farm. Starring Magda Szubanski, Elizabeth Daily, and Mickey Rooney. 94 mins.

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THE GOONIES

2PM | Theatre

A group of young misfits called The Goonies discover an ancient map and set out on an adventure to find a legendary pirate's long-lost treasure. Starring Sean Astin, Josh Brolin, and Jeff Cohen. 114 mins.



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ELF

2PM | Theatre

A man raised by Santa's elves travels from the North Pole to New York City to meet his biological father, who doesn't know he exists and is in desperate need of some Christmas spirit. Starring Will Ferrell, James Caan, and Bob Newhart. 95 mins.



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THE MUPPET CHRISTMAS CAROL

2PM | Theatre

The Muppets put their spin on the tale of an elder, Christmas-hating miser who is visited by spirits who foretell his future and share secrets from his past and present, which helps change his view on life. Starring Michael Caine, Dave Goetz, and Steve Whitmire.

92 mins.

**FREE
MOVIES
2PM**

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ARTHUR CHRISTMAS

2PM | Theatre

Santa's clumsy son Arthur sets out on a mission with Grandsanta to give out a misplaced present to a young girl in less than two hours on Christmas Day. Starring the voices of James McAvoy, Jim Broadbent, and Bill Nighy. 97 mins.

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DR. SEUSS' HOW THE GRINCH STOLE CHRISTMAS

2PM | Theatre

On the outskirts of Whoville lives a green, revenge-seeking Grinch who plans to ruin Christmas for all of the citizens of the town. Starring Jim Carrey, Taylor Momsen, and Jeffrey Tambor. 104 mins.



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INTRO TO CREATIVE WRITING (for ages 10 - 12)

November 26 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Learn the art of crafting a compelling story in this introduction to creative writing with local young adult fantasy author Olivia M. Geib. Geib is the author of the Fire & Fury Trilogy - "The Daughter of Fire and Fury," "The Princess of Secrets and Shadows," and "The Queen of Ruin and Rebirth." **Online registration required.**

TWEEN NIGHT: BOARD GAME NIGHT

(for ages 10 - 12)

December 17 at 6:30PM | Honor Currie Room

At Tween Board Game Night, game enthusiasts and casual players alike can come together to explore the exciting world of board games. Whether you prefer strategy games, co-operative challenges, or quick and light-hearted fun, there's a game for you.

Online registration required.



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DOODLE DEN *(for ages 13 - 19)*

November 6, 20 at 2PM | December 11 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.

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

November 6 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, PS5, or XBOX. All your favourite classic crafts will be available: like making bracelets and bookmarks! And don't forget to belt out your favourite tunes in the Theatre. Snacks and pop provided. Doors open 6:45-7:15PM then locked for your safety. Ends at 9PM.



UNITY CIRCLE *(for ages 13 - 19)*

November 10 at 5PM | December 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.

SENSORY FUN *(for ages 13 - 19)*

November 18 at 5PM | December 16 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!

HONEYCOMB HOUSE GRANT PARTY (for ages 13 - 19)

November 12 at 4PM | Honeycomb House

Join us in celebrating the completion of new upgrades made to our Honeycomb House teen space thanks to the Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta! Light refreshments provided by Save-On-Foods.



HONEYCOMB HOUSE



NOVEMBER

For teens aged 13 - 19.
No registration required.

	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Air-Dry Clay Make your own sculptures! →	3	4	5 CLOSED	6 Teen Night Crafts & Controllers @ 6:45 pm	7	8
Felted Food Create little felt food items! →	10 Unity Circle @ 5:00 pm	11 LIBRARY CLOSED	12 Grant Party @ 4:00 pm** SPACE CLOSING EARLY	13 Doodle Den @ 2:00 pm	14	15
Perler Beads Create 2-D sculptures! →	17	18 Sensory Fun @ 5:00 pm	19 Novelty Theatre @ 5:00 pm	20	21	22
Winter Decor Week Help us decorate! →	24	25	26 Novelty Theatre @ 5:00 pm	27 Doodle Den @ 2:00 pm	28	29

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

*Hours are subject to change

**November 15th Grant Party Details:

Join us in celebrating the completion of new upgrades made to our Honeycomb House teen space thanks to the Community Foundation of Southeastern Alberta!
Light refreshments provided by Save On Foods.



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CREATING COMPELLING CHARACTERS (for ages 13 - 19)

November 12 at 6PM | Legion Room

Learn how to take your characters to the next level when crafting a story with local young adult fantasy author Olivia M. Geib. Geib is the author of the Fire & Fury Trilogy - "The Daughter of Fire and Fury," "The Princess of Secrets and Shadows," and "The Queen of Ruin and Rebirth." **Online registration required.**

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS ONE-SHOT (for ages 13 - 19)

November 14, 28 at 10:30AM | Honeycomb House

Work together to finish the adventure in one sitting! Premade characters and dice will be available to all players. In partnership with Pop Up Parks. **Please note that this program is offered on two separate dates due to high interest. Participants should register for only one of the two dates. Online registration required.**

NOVELTY THEATRE (for ages 13 - 19)

November 19 at 5:30PM | November 26 at 5:30PM | December 17 at 5:30PM | Honeycomb House

You are invited to an evening of movie watching in The Honeycomb House teen space where you can expect to be dazzled by unique and/or obscure cult classics. Free popcorn provided. **Nov. 19:** "An Extremely Goofy Movie" (G); **Nov. 26:** "Isle of Dogs" (2018) (PG-13); **Dec. 17:** "The Muppet Christmas Carol" (G).

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

November 21 at 11AM | December 5 at 11AM | Honeycomb House

Designed to be a welcoming space for neurodivergent teens to connect, have fun, build friendships, and be themselves. With the support of members of the Medicine Hat Autism Society. No diagnosis required.

TIC TAC PRESENTS: WINTER FESTIVAL

(for ages 13 - 19)

December 4 at 6:45PM | Honor Currie Room, Legion Room, Theatre

Enjoy all your favourite aspects of winter at this after-hours event for teens ages 13-19! From an indoor snowball fight to DIY snow globes to hot chocolate and paper snowflakes... you won't have to worry about frostbite or snow melting as you enjoy the festivities in the warm indoors. Snacks and pop provided. Doors open 6:45-7:15PM then locked for your safety. Ends at 9PM.



DUNGEON MASTERS IN TRAINING (for ages 13 - 19)

December 12 at 10:30AM | Honeycomb House

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

SNOWMAN SEARCH (for ages 13 - 19)

December 21 at 2PM | Throughout the Library

Search the library for miniature snowmen, and return them to the staff at the Information Desk to be entered in to win a snowman slime kit!



HONEYCOMB HOUSE

DECEMBER

For teens aged 13 - 19.
No registration required.

	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Canvas Painting Paint with us! →	1	2	3 CLOSED	4 Teen Night: Winter Festival @ 6:45 pm	5	6
Board Games Week Come play some games! →	8 Unity Circle @ 5:00 pm	9	10 CLOSING EARLY 3:30pm - 5:00pm	11 Doodle Den @ 2:00 pm	12	13
Button Maker Make unique button pins! →	15	16 Sensory Fun @ 5:00 pm	17 Novelty Theatre @ 5:00 pm	18	19	20
Recipe Exchange Bring in your own recipe and take a new one! →	22	23	24 CLOSING EARLY 3:30pm - 4:00pm	25 CLOSED	26 CLOSED	27 CLOSED
Colour Mandalas Chill with us and colour! →	29	30	31 CLOSING EARLY 3:30pm - 4:00pm	Drop in Hours* Tues, Wed, Thur: 3:30 - 7:30 PM Fri, Sat, Sun: 1:00 - 4:30 PM CLOSED MONDAYS *Hours are subject to change		

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THE FAMILY COLLECTIVE

October 22 at 6:30PM | November 5, 19 at 6:30PM | December 3, 17 at 6:30PM | Legion Room

Our Collective Journey and Medicine Hat Family Service have teamed up to create The Family Collective, a recovery support program dedicated to families and loved ones who are supporting someone experiencing addiction or working toward recovery. This eight-week support program provides a safe, welcoming, and non-judgmental space where families can come together, share their experiences, learn from one another, and discover that they are not alone. Families do not have to navigate the challenges of addiction by themselves. Through connection and shared experiences, participants can begin to find understanding, strength, and hope. Registration is required through Our Collective Journey.

STITCHING IN THE AFTERNOON

November 3, 10, 17, 24 at 1PM | December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 at 1PM | Legion Room

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

MOVIES: THE BALLAD OF SONGBIRDS & SNAKES AND THE HUNGER GAMES

November 3 at 5PM | November 10 at 5PM | Theatre

Enjoy free viewings of "The Ballad of Songbirds & Snakes" (**Nov. 3**) (PG -13) and "The Hunger Games" (**Nov. 10**) (PG -13) in our Library Theatre in honour of the upcoming new movie "Sunrise on the Reaping."



REPAIRING YOUR RELATIONSHIP

November 3 at 6PM | December 1 at 6PM | 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.

CIRCLE T TOASTMASTERS CLUB

November 3, 17 at 6:30PM | December 1, 15 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.

READERS' THEATRE

November 5, 12, 26 at 1PM | December 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 at 1PM | Honor Currie Room

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

WHERE DOES MY MONEY GO? UNDERSTANDING CASH FLOW AND BUDGETING

November 5 at 6:30PM | Legion Room

In this beginner-friendly session, you'll map your income against taxes, living expenses, debt payments, and savings. You'll learn how to build a realistic budget, identify spending patterns, distinguish needs from wants, and find room to save. We'll also compare debt repayment methods and discuss how to begin building an emergency fund. Presented by Jay Forbes, marketing director with World Financial Group. **Online registration required.**



FALL FILM FESTIVAL FEATURING PROJECT UNLONELY

November 5 at 6:30PM | Theatre

Experience a collection of powerful films exploring belonging, friendship, and our fundamental need for connection. These stories remind us that even the simplest human connections can bring us together, help us feel seen and valued, and strengthen our sense of belonging. In partnership with What Matters to Hatters.

FRESH BREW AND FRENCH CONVERSATION

November 7, 28 at 10:30AM | December 5, 19 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

November 7 at 1PM | December 5, 19 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.*

RELATIONSHIP SKILLS: RELATIONSHIP WITH SELF AND BOUNDARIES

November 7 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

In partnership with Recovery Alberta, this skill-building series was designed to enhance participants' knowledge and skills to support healthy relationships with self and others. Knowing ourselves can help us define what is important to us in relationships. We will learn about ourselves through identifying our personal values. This can increase our ability to be more intentional about the choices that we make. Boundaries help us to support our sense of self as being different from others, empowering us to make choices within our relationships. We will examine what boundaries are, where they come from, and some skills to establish them. **Online registration required.**

MANAGING THE HOLIDAY SEASON

November 10 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Managing the Holiday Season is a course designed to help you reduce stress, set healthy boundaries, and find more joy during a busy time of year. Learn practical strategies to care for your emotional well-being while navigating holiday expectations and commitments. In partnership with Medicine Hat Family Service and the Recovery College. **Online registration required.**

BOOK-ISH TATTOO PLANNING AND INSPIRATION NIGHT

November 10 at 6PM | Legion Room

Plan your book-ish tattoo! Meet the tattoo artists, bring your own ideas or gather inspiration from specially selected library books to get the creative juices flowing prior to the tattoo fundraiser! On **Nov. 21** get your tattoo at Modern Folklore Tattoo (646B South Railway St. SE) from 12-8 p.m. Book a spot in advance or walk in.



PATHWAYS TO RECOVERY

November 12, 26 at 6:30PM | December 10 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.

RECONNECTING TO PLAY: NERF AND LASER TAG NIGHT

November 13 at 6PM | Library After Hours

Play builds connection, resilience, 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 evening battling with Nerf guns and laser tag! For all adults. **Online registration required.**



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

November 14 at 11AM | December 12 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.

RELATIONSHIP SKILLS: ENHANCING COMMUNICATION AND LISTENING TO UNDERSTAND

November 14 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room

In partnership with Recovery Alberta, this skill-building series was designed to enhance participants' knowledge and skills to support healthy relationships with self and others. We will explore communication methods and styles that can affect how our message is delivered and received and then discuss how better listening skills improve our relationships by helping us to connect with others and their perspective. **Online registration required.**

HEARING LOSS AWARENESS

November 14 at 2PM | Theatre

In partnership with Hearing Life Canada, learn all about hearing and hearing loss. Ears are as unique as fingerprints, and so are hearing losses and hearing aids. That is why it is so important to see a professional that can explain technology, types of hearing aids, different lifestyles, and many more factors that will influence your decision. Learn about the incidence of hearing loss, the signs, the effects of untreated hearing loss, and what you can do about it.

SELF-PUBLISHING 101

November 14 at 2PM | Legion Room

Learn the basics of self-publishing and how to navigate around first time mistakes with local young adult fantasy author Olivia M. Geib. Geib is the author of the Fire & Fury Trilogy - "The Daughter of Fire and Fury," "The Princess of Secrets and Shadows," and "The Queen of Ruin and Rebirth." **Online registration required.**



BANNOCK AND TEA

November 17 at 1PM | December 16 at 1PM |
Honor Currie Room

Bannock and Tea is a cultural support program. A sharing circle to build community, enjoy delicious bannock and share oral stories, traditions and knowledge of several different Indigenous groups. In partnership with Miywasin Friendship Centre.

FICTION BOOK CLUB

November 17 at 6:30PM | Legion Room

We're reading our way through the Library's Book Club Kits. In November we're reading "The Woman in the Window" by A.J. Finn. Copies of the book will be available at the Information Desk starting **Oct. 14** while they last.



STITCHED CANVAS ART

November 18 at 6PM | November 28 at 2PM | Honor Currie Room/Legion Room

Stitching on a painted canvas is trendy and fun to do! This craft is easy. Choose your design, paint, then start stitching. **Please note that this program is offered twice due to high enrolment; please register for only one session. Online registration required.**

LIBRARY COMIC CON COSPLAY GUEST SEARCH

Library Comic Con Vol. 4 will be on **May 1, 2027**, and we are looking for cosplayers to be a "Special Guest" at our event! Duties include but not limited to: interacting with attendees and judging the Cosplay Contest. Must be 18+ to apply. Application form opens on **Nov. 1, 2026** and closes on **Jan. 4, 2027**.



INVESTING 101: YOUR FIRST STEPS TOWARD BUILDING WEALTH

November 19 at 6:30PM | Theatre

New to investing? This beginner-friendly session explains where you can invest, what a portfolio is, and the difference between an investment account and the investments held inside it. You'll learn about TFSAs, RRSPs, FHSAs, stocks, bonds, GICs, and funds. We'll also explore risk, diversification, dollar cost averaging, compound growth, the Rule of 72, and the importance of time. Presented by Jay Forbes, marketing director with World Financial Group. **Online registration required.**

FALL BOOK SALE

November 20, 21 at 10AM | Lower Level

The Friends of the Medicine Hat Public Library is hosting another book sale on **Nov. 20** from 10AM until 5PM and **Nov. 21** from 10AM until 3PM! If you need to make room on your shelves for all your new purchases, donations of gently-used fiction and non-fiction books for all ages, DVDs, CDs, magazines and board games will be accepted for sale downstairs behind the Library Theatre from **Oct. 26 to Nov. 14**. If you only have a few items to donate you can place them at any time in the book house near the self-checkouts on the main level. Textbooks, encyclopedias, VHS tapes, cassettes, vinyl records and items more than 15 years old will not be accepted.



THE STORY KEEPER'S BOOK CLUB

November 24 at 10AM | Legion Room

Engage with Indigenous literature while gaining community connections, in partnership with Miywasin Friendship Centre. The November pick is "From the Ashes" by Jesse Thistle. Copies of the book can be picked up at the Information Desk beginning **Nov. 3**. This book club is open and welcome to all. **Online registration required.**



INFERTILITY, PREGNANCY LOSS, AND INFANT LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

November 24 at 6PM | December 22 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.



PRAIRIE PRIDE BOOK CLUB

November 24 at 6:30PM | Honor Currie Room

In partnership with the Prairie Pride Guild, discuss a book in a relaxed and safe environment. November's pick is "Killers of a Certain Age" by Deanna Raybourn, which is about four veteran female assassins. Copies of the book will be available at the Information Desk starting **Nov. 2** while they last. All are welcome!



RECONNECTING TO PLAY: GIANT PARACHUTE GAMES

November 25 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Play builds connection, resilience 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. For all adults. **Online registration required.**

SIPS AND SOCIALS: THRIFTY & THRIVING

November 26 at 6-8PM | Travois Ale Works (612 Third St. SE)

Come to Travois Ale Works to chat about ways to stretch your dollar, share smart budgeting hacks, and talk about how we can be more money-conscious in celebration of Financial Literacy Month in November. Thank you to our friends at Travois Ale Works for hosting us!



BOOKS ON TRIAL

November 26 at 6:30PM | Theatre

The Government of Alberta is requiring that public libraries restrict access to visual material with sexually explicit content. Join professional library staff as they make decisions whether to restrict access to or otherwise censor graphic novels, including critically-acclaimed ones, from the collection.



HOME ROUTES CONCERT SERIES: HUDOST

November 27 at 7PM | Theatre

HuDost is an electric-folk, Americana, world rock ensemble touring internationally whose albums have made it on the Billboard and Folk Charts (in the top 5 Canada and top 10 USA). Their performances are "...enchanted, moving, wild, and inspiring while infused with humor!" Tickets will be available at the Info Desk for \$10 starting on **Oct. 19**.



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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CANADA MUSIC WEEK AMATEUR SHOWCASE

November 28 at 2PM | Theatre, Honor Currie Room

In partnership with Medicine Hat Alberta Registered Music Teachers' Association (ARMTA), we will be celebrating Canada Music Week with students of all ages performing Canadian compositions in a variety of styles on piano, voice to string instruments. We are especially proud of our Medicine Hat student composers winning nationally! A reception will follow with coffee/tea and treats.

CREATIVE WRITING GROUP

December 1 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.

HOLIDAY FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT

December 3 at 6:30PM | Theatre

How much do you know? Find out at All Ages Trivia Night! From sports, history, literature to pop culture, there will be questions for every generation. Bring your family, your friends, or just yourself! Registration required. Maximum team sizes of six people. **Online registration required.**



GRIEF AND LOSS

December 8 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

This course offers a compassionate space to explore grief and loss, recognizing that grieving is a personal process with no fixed timeline. Participants will gain insight, tools, and gentle support to help them understand their emotions and navigate loss in a way that honors their own experience. In partnership with Medicine Hat Family Service and the Recovery College. **Online registration required.**

DIY CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

December 9, 16 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room/Legion Room

Join us to make a few unique, hand-crafted Christmas ornaments this holiday season.

Please note that this program is offered twice due to high enrolment; please register for only one session. Online registration required.

RECONNECTING TO PLAY: HOLIDAY BOOK BURGLAR GAMES

December 11 at 6PM | Library After Hours

Play builds connection, resilience and creativity, so let's get creative with our ideas of play! Come rebel against the pressures of adulting with the holiday edition of Book Burglar Games! Can you complete the games and secure the prize before the clock runs out? For all adults. **Online registration required.**

TICKET TO RIDE TOURNAMENT *(for ages 12+)*

December 12 at 12PM | Honor Currie Room

In partnership with Steven Durk (also known as @mhboardgameguy), Station Coffee Co. and the Redcliff Pharmasave, Medicine Hat Public Library is pleased to host another Ticket to Ride Tournament. Do you think you're a skilled enough conductor to take home the trophy and grand prize? Participants must be 12 years or older. **Online registration required.**

FICTION BOOK CLUB

December 15 at 6:30PM | Legion Room

We're reading our way through the Library's Book Club Kits. In December we're reading "North: the Last Great Race" by Joan Mettauer. Copies of the book will be available at the Information Desk starting **Nov. 18** while they last.



RECONNECTING TO PLAY: FORT BUILDING

December 16 at 6PM | Honor Currie Room

Play builds connection, resiliency, and creativity, so why stop playing as an adult? Let's get back to it! What's more cozy than fort building? Fort building with hot cocoa, candycanes, soothing music, and sensory options to de-stress in December. For all adults. **Online registration required.**

PRAIRIE PRIDE MOVIE CLUB

December 22 at 6PM | Theatre

In partnership with the Prairie Pride Guild, come watch and discuss a movie in a relaxed and safe environment. December's pick is "Spoiler Alert" directed by Michael Showalter. All are welcome!



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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 at 403-502-8525 or mhploffice@shortgrass.ca.

MHPL FOR YXH

The #MHPLforYXH 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 #MHPLforYXH library card sponsor.



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Library Hours

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

Closed Days

Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Monday, November 30, 2026
Friday, December 25, 2026
Saturday, December 26, 2026
Closed at 4:30PM
Thursday, December 24, 2026
Thursday, December 31, 2026



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENTAL play space

Drop-in times

Monday, Friday, Saturday:

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



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