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July August Activity Guide



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ALL AGES

WRITING OUR PRIDE EXHIBIT

July 7-13

Visit our display of written works by members of the local 2SLGBTQIA+ community. Drop in during library open hours.

PRIDE MAKING POSTERS

Tuesday, July 9, 10:30 am



The Pride Flag is being raised at the town hall! The Lunenburg Academy Foundation and the Lunenburg Library invite you to our Castle on the Hill to make posters and show your Pride. Join us as we make posters at the Lunenburg Academy to honour the diverse identities within Lunenburg. Then we will meet at the town hall at noon for the flag raising. We will provide markers and bristol board, but feel free to bring your own materials to add a little pizzazz to your poster!

READING WITH ROYALTY

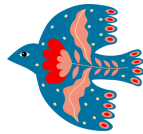
Thursday, July 11, 11 am



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FOLK ART PAINTING

Thursday, July 25, 2 pm



Join us for some folk art fun, designing and painting wooden objects and canvas boards. All materials supplied, no experience required. It's all for fun!

DISCOVERING DINOSAURS

Thursday, August 22, 2 pm

Brace yourself for an adventure as **Tim Jeffries** spills the beans on the incredible journey of dinosaur bones- from dusty digs to dazzling museum displays. Discover the mind-bending geological tales of Alberta and why it's the holy grail for dino discoveries.



TECH HELP

Mondays, 10 am - 12 pm, 3:30 - 5 pm

July 8 - August 19

Would you like some help with your tablet, cell phone or laptop. Do you want to learn more about apps or the internet? Help is at hand on Mondays with our summer Digital Literacy Trainer Holly.

FALL PLANTING

Tuesday, August 20, 11 am

The end of summer is a great time to succession plant or start new cold tolerant vegetables. Join us to learn how to keep your gardening going well into October by growing cold tolerant vegetables. Participants will receive a guideline on what to plant this fall and seeds to get started.

FIBRE ARTS

Wednesdays, 1-3 pm

All lovers of knitting, quilting, or any other handcraft, experienced or beginner, are invited to come and relax, learn, and share. New members welcome! Drop in.

SEW IT, FIX IT, MEND IT

Fridays, July 5 & 19, August 2, 16, 30, 2 pm

Do you have clothing items that need mending? Come by the library to get sewing guidance from library volunteer **Amy Sullivan**. Sewing machine available.

CREATIVE EXPLORATIONS IN SOUND, JOURNALING & ART MAKING

Friday, July 12, 26, 2 pm

Join **Holly Sweet** for explorations in sound, journaling, tarot and other creative practices. Each week is set around a theme to inspire our explorations. Phone 902-634-8008 for more information.

MINDFUL PHOTOGRAPHY

Saturday, July 27, 10:15 - 3:15 pm

Photographer, Randy Bullerwell is hosting a workshop and photo shoot for participants to learn about in-camera techniques, the concepts of mindfulness, exploration, composition, play and self-discovery. Randy is a retired teacher, counsellor and photographer, with over twenty years' experience. He has exhibited his art in galleries throughout Nova Scotia and has developed his Photo Voice workshops in Aruba and The Gambia. *Registration required call 902-634-8008 by **June 30** to reserve your spot.*

CHARITY'S BOOK CLUB

Friday, July 12, August 9, 11 am

Bring a snack and join us for a discussion of our current book selection.

July: *Before the Parade* by **Rebecca Rose**

August: *The Handmaid's Tale* by **Margaret Atwood**



LUNENBURG BOOK CLUB

Thursday, July 11, 1 pm

Join us to discuss our latest read. The Lunenburg Book Club meets every second Thursday of the month. For more information call 902-634-8008.

FIBRE CRAFT

Tuesdays, 1 pm

For those who love to knit, sew, and quilt, or would like to learn. Come to Fibrecraft, meet new people, relax, and spin a yarn or two!

TECH HELPWednesdays, 1 - 5 pm, **July 3 - August 21**

Would you like some help with your tablet, cell phone or laptop. Do you want to learn more about apps or the internet? Help is at hand on Wednesdays! No appointments, drop in.

QUEENS COUNTY TRANSIT

Wednesday, July 3, August 7, 1:30 pm

Join us for an information session on the services offered by **QCT** and how you can volunteer.

TREK AND TRACK - HISTORY OF TOURISM IN NS

Wednesday, July 10, 1:30 pm

Join us on a fascinating journey through time to explore the development of tourism in Nova Scotia. Local historian **Kathy Stitt** will give us a chance to witness the arrival of the first vacationers, their travel methods, and the reasons behind their visit.

Registration required call 902-354-5270.

**ARE WE THERE YET?**

Wednesday, August 7, 1:30 pm

Our travel theme continues as local historian **Kathy Stitt** discusses the development of the visitor economy in Queens County. Learn about the activities of the early tourists and their accommodation choices. Discover how the early travel writers described our county and province. *Registration required call 902-354-5270.*

CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS

Thursday, July 25, August 29, 2 pm

Please join **Nicole Robson** (*Second Story Women's Centre*) for an afternoon of creativity. Expressing ourselves through art allows us to tap into our playful side, and be in the moment. It can support regulation to our nervous system, allow for reflection, and encourages mindfulness. All supplies are provided.

**RADDALL READING CLUB**

Thursday, July 4, August 1, 6 pm

For those who like to read and discuss books with a group of open-minded people. For July, we're discussing *Prophet Song* by **Paul Lynch** and for August we're having a BYOB – bring your own book to discuss.

GERMAN CONVERSATION

Thursday, July 11, 25, August 8, 22, 6 pm

Practice your German in this relaxed, volunteer-led conversation group. Beginners are always welcome!

FRENCH CONVERSATION

Saturdays, 11 am

Come and practice your French in a relaxed, informal setting and make new friends! All levels of French welcome, including beginners.

Saturday Specials

SUMMER FRUIT DISHES AND SMOOTHIES

Saturday, July 6, 2 pm

Just in time for summer! Cooking enthusiast, **Agnes Moase**, will show you how to make the most of our summer fruits and whip up tasty smoothies. Samples will be available to taste too!

Registration required call 902-354-5270

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**SHORE BIRD IDENTIFICATION**

Saturday, July 20, 2 pm

Join **Avery Nagy-MacArthur**, *NS Shorebirds Biologist, Birds Canada*, to learn about the biology, conservation needs and identification of shorebird species that visit our province, and how you can get involved with the Atlantic Canada Shorebird Survey.

ROPE LABYRINTH

Saturday, August 3, 1 pm

Enjoy a relaxing afternoon with **Mary MacIntosh**, exploring the mindfulness benefits of labyrinths, their history and how they differ from mazes. Mary will help participants create their own labyrinth forms and produce a walkable rope labyrinth here at the library.

THOMAS H. RADDALL LIBRARY, 135 OLD BRIDGE STREET, LIVERPOOL

902-354-5270

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PRIDE ROADSHOW

Thursday, July 11, 2 - 4 pm

Julie Veinot (*South Shore Sexual Health*) will be at the branch for a special Roadshow, celebrating and affirming Pride for all.

PAINT NIGHT

Thursday, July 11, August 8, 6 pm

Release your inner artist! Create your own masterpiece, in this self-led, stress-free, fun art activity. Snacks are available too!

DISCOVERING DINOSAURS

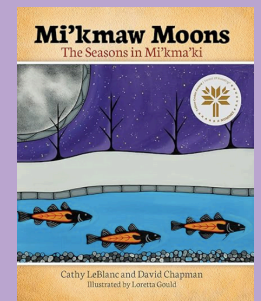
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MI'KMAW MOONS - Saturday, July 27, 2 pm

Cathy LeBlanc and **Dave Chapman** are project partners for the Two-Eyed Seeing project *Mi'kmaw Moons*, which they have worked on together for over 10 years. This presentation will introduce the names of the Moons and explain how they relate to Nature. Cathy and Dave will read one of the stories from their book **Mi'kmaw Moons** and lead an indigenous-themed craft for the younger attendees.

Registration required call 902-354-5270.



MARGARET HENNIGAR PUBLIC LIBRARY, BRIDGEWATER

902-543-9222

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DRAG Q & A

Wednesday, July 10, 2 pm

Have you ever wondered what it takes to be a drag queen or drag king? Curious about tips and tricks on how they get their makeup so flawless? Drop in to ask all of your questions to our two amazing drag performers, **Rouge Fatale** and **Rhett Torical**!

MONARCH BUTTERFLIES

Tuesday, July 23, 6 pm



Join Mersey Tobiotic Research Institute for a talk on the majestic Monarch Butterfly. Learn about the unique migratory insect's life cycle, threats and how *MTRI* is working towards understanding Monarchs in Nova Scotia.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn how you can join in the monitoring project and get some hands-on experience looking for Monarchs at the LCLC milkweed patch.

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TECH HELP

Tuesdays, 10 am - 12 pm, 3:30 - 5 pm

Thursdays, 10 am - 12 pm, 1:30 - 2:30, Fridays, 1 - 5 pm

July 2 - August 23

Do you need of help with your laptop, phone or tablet?

Join us at the library for general tech help on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. We welcome any questions you may have on email set-up, downloading apps, internet use, and more!

Call 902-543-9222 for an appointment or drop in.

**SCRABBLE CLUB**

Tuesday, July 9, 23, August 13, 27, 2 pm

Come meet and compete with fellow Scrabble enthusiasts.

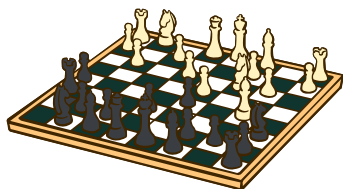
Sign up at the front desk, for more information or to register call 902-543-9222. Join today!

**DIY RESIN JEWELRY**

Wednesday, August 7, 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Learn the process of creating resin jewelry and make your own pendant! No experience necessary. Use flowers, leaves, glitter and more to design your pendant—or bring your own flowers/other small item from home (item must be smaller than a quarter).

Registration required call 902-543-9222

**CHESS CLUB**

Wednesdays, 6 pm

Join us and play chess! All skill levels, including beginners, are welcome. Call the branch for more information 902-543-9222.

OPEN MIC NIGHT!

Thursday, July 4, August 1, 7 pm

Sing, tell a joke, recite a poem, share a story or two. Open to performers of all stages and ages.

**DIABETES CLUB**

Thursday, July 18, August 15, 6 pm

Join other diabetics in conversation about the joys and challenges of living with diabetes. We'll choose discussion topics, examine new and emerging technologies and literature to review. You aren't alone! All diabetics welcome - Type 1, Type 2, gestational. Friends and family members of diabetics welcome too.

SPANISH CONVERSATION CIRCLE

Thursday, July 4, 18, August 1, 15, 10 am

The Spanish Conversation Circle is a volunteer led casual gathering aimed at providing a setting where people can practice their Spanish language skills. Please join us to chat in Spanish, listen and hablar en español con otras personas!

SPRING INTO EMPLOYMENT - NEWCOMER JOB SEARCH ASSISTANCE

Friday, July 19, August 9, 11 am - 1 pm

Are you new to the Bridgewater area and looking for employment? Drop-in and see Employment Solutions workshop facilitator, **Maria Viniegra**, for one-on-one support with resumes, cover letters, job search and more! Bring your resume for review and discuss your employment and career goals.

Reading

BETWEEN THE LINES BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, July 16, August 20, 6:30 pm

Open to anyone who is interested in reading and discussing books.

July: *The Wind Knows my Name* by **Isabelle Allende**

August: *The Thursday Murder Club* by **Richard Osman**

Writing

CREATIVE WRITING FOR ADULTS

Friday, July 5, 19, August 2, 16, 10:30 am

If you always wanted to write, stopped writing and want to start again, or just try something new, this group is for you. The goal is to have fun, laugh and expand our world through writing. We'll use writing prompts, games and sharing to help invigorate our minds and stretch our imagination.

SOUTH SHORE SCRIBES - CRITIQUE GROUP

Wednesday, July 17, August 14, 6 pm

A once-a-month opportunity to share your written work, provide critiques and get feedback from beta readers!

Call 902-543-9222 for more information.

SHORT STORY THROW DOWN

Wednesday, July 31, August 28, 6 pm

Four prompts, one performance, every month. A fun way to get words on the page and get confidence reading in public! Space is limited.

Registration required, for more information call 902-543-9222 or ask at the circulation desk.



Saturdays

PRIDE HISTORY WITH REBECCA ROSE

Saturday, July 13, 2 pm

Celebrate Pride by learning about its history! Author **Rebecca Rose** will be reading from her book *Before the Parade: A History of Halifax's Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Communities, 1972-1984*. The reading will be accompanied by a slide show and will be followed by a question and answer period.

EVERYTHING SEX RELATED ROAD SHOW

Saturday, July 13, 1:30 pm

Join **Julie Veinot South Shore Sexual Health** for a sex information road show. Whether you'd like to learn more about birth control or gender-affirming gear, drop in to this informal and confidential health and well-being service.

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Author Spotlight: Kat Karpenko,

The Photograph 1930's Ukrainian Terror Famine

Saturday, August 17, 11 - 1 pm

Join us for a special reading by local author, **Kat Karpenko**. *The Photograph* is an historical novel about a Ukrainian family dealing with Holodomor, the terror-famine of 1932-33.

The Photograph is a novel based on a photograph of my grandparents' departure from Ukraine in 1928 when the family gathered to say goodbye. I do not know what happened to the 2 brothers and 4 sisters in the photo so I created a story about the departure and about what might have happened to these people using facts from historical research and from survivors' accounts of the genocide orchestrated by Stalin known as Holodomor, death by starvation. This little-known history explains much about what is happening in Ukraine today. The novel explains much about the strong will to survive of the Ukrainian people.

NEW RELEASES

July 2024

The Lion Women of Tehran by Marjan Kamali (02 July)
In 1950s Tehran, Ellie lives in comfort until the death of her father forces Ellie and her mother to move to a tiny home downtown. Lonely, Ellie dreams of a friend. Luckily, on the first day of school, she meets Homa, a kind girl with a brave spirit. Together they play, learn to cook, and share their ambitions. But their happiness is disrupted when Ellie and her mother return to their previous life. Now a popular student, Ellie's memories of Homa begin to fade. Years later her sudden reappearance in Ellie's world alters the course of both of their lives. But as the political turmoil in Iran builds, one betrayal will have enormous consequences.

Masquerade by OO Sangoyomi (02 July)
Timbuktu has been conquered by the warrior king of Yorùbáland. Already shunned, living conditions for Òdòdó and the other women in her guild grow even worse under Yorùbá rule. Then Òdòdó is abducted; whisked away to Şàngótè, where she discovers that her kidnapper is none other than the king, and he has chosen her to be his wife. In a change of fortune, Òdòdó soars to the very heights of society. But after a lifetime of subjugation, the power of this world becomes too enticing to resist. As tensions grow, Òdòdó must defy the king she's been forced to wed, re-forging the loyalties of the court in her favor or risk losing everything

Bury Your Gays by Chuck Tingle (09 July) 🇺🇸
Misha is a jaded scriptwriter who has been working in Hollywood for years, and has just been nominated for his first Oscar. But when he's pressured by his producers to kill off a gay character in the upcoming season finale—"for the algorithm"—Misha discovers that it's not that simple. As he is haunted by his past, and past mistakes, Misha must risk everything to find a way to do what's right—before it's too late.

Navigational Entanglements by Aliette deBodard (30 July)
Using the power of Shadows generated from their own bodies' vitality, Navigators guide space ships safely across a realm populated by dangerous creatures called Tangles. In return for their service, the navigator clans get wealth and power—but they get the blame, too. So when a Tangler escapes and goes missing, the empire calls on the clans to deal with it. Việt Nhi is not good with people, but when her elders send her on a joint-clan mission to locate the escaped Tangler, she can't say no. Hạc Cúc of the Snake clan usually likes people. It says so on her "information gathering", right after "poisoning" and "stabbing". But when their imperial envoy is found dead by poison, this crew of expendable apprentices will have to learn to work together before they end up in a jail cell while the Tangler wreaks havoc on the city.

August 2024

The Mercy of Gods by James SA Corey (02 August)
Caught up in academic intrigue and affairs of the heart, Dafyd Alkhor is pleased to be an assistant to a brilliant scientist and his research team. Then the Carryx ships descend, decimating the humans and taking the best and brightest of Anjiin society away to the Carryx homeworld, Dafyd along with them. They are dropped in the middle of a struggle they barely understand, set in a competition against the other captives with extinction as the price of failure. Only Dafyd and a handful of his companions see past the contest to the deeper game that they must play to survive: learning to understand, and manipulate, the Carryx themselves.

The Seventh Veil of Salome by Silvia Moreno-Garcia (06 Aug)
1950s Hollywood: Every actress wants to play Salome, *the* role in a big-budget movie about the legendary woman. When the film's director casts Vera Larios, in the lead role, she quickly becomes the talk of the town. Vera also becomes an object of envy for Nancy Hartley, who will do anything to win fame. Two actresses, both determined to make it in Hollywood, make for a sizzling combination. But this is the tale of three women; it is also the story of the princess Salome herself, consumed with desire for the prophet who foretells the doom of Herod: a woman torn between duty and the yearning of her heart.

Confounding Oaths by Alexis Hall (27 Aug) 🇺🇸
1815: Mr. John Caesar is determined for his sister, Mary, to have a successful coming out. Despite his best efforts, he is thwarted by the various interventions of a ragtag regiment of soldiers, a mysterious military cult, and a malicious fairy godmother. When Mary is cursed by the fair folk, Mr. Caesar is forced to work with the working-class Captain James to rescue her. While Mr. Caesar is no stranger to dallying with soldiers, he's never expected one to stay. Or wanted one to. But even if the captain felt the same, he and Mr. Caesar come from different worlds. And other worlds are the last thing either of them want to be dealing with...

The Knowing by Tanya Talaga (27 Aug) 🇨🇦
It is believed that nearly 20,000 Indigenous children have been lost on Turtle Island; neglected, medically experimented on, abused, murdered. This is one of Canada's greatest open secrets. Generations of Indigenous People have known that their family members disappeared, with no answers. The system, fuelled by Church and state, committed acts of sexually, physically and emotionally abusing children over decades, many of whom died and were buried on the grounds of the schools. In 2021, the discovery of 215 graves made international headlines. Canada's quiet horror became its very loud, public disaster. Tanya Talaga retells the history of this country as only she can.

Books on this list may contain content that is difficult for some readers. If you have questions or concerns about any of these titles please talk to a staff person or email charity@ssplibraries.ca

SSPL By the Numbers

April 2023 - March 2024



2,009
new library cards



165,282
in person visits



404,648
items checked out



43,782
digital items
checked out



102,002
hours of WiFi



143,965
website visits



2,014
programs hosted



13,535
attended a program



786
attended
Babies & Books