What’s On
at Winnipeg Public Library
March 2024

EXHIBITS

Winnipeg 150
Millennium Library, Main floor
In 2024, Winnipeg marks 150 years as a city. Reflect on our past and look ahead to the future with a display that celebrates the rich history of the city.

Abstractions
Millennium Library
Blankstein Gallery, 2nd floor
Abstractions highlights recent work by Greg Hanec, whose paintings incorporate a range of techniques.

IN THE COMMUNITY

The library visits locations and events throughout the city, offering books to borrow, card applications, and information about library services. Stop by and visit us!

Mobile Library:
Blake Gardens Resource Centre
Monday, March 11 & 25:
2:30-4:30 p.m.

Indigenous Family Centre
Wednesday, March 13 & 27:
10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Marlene Street Community Resource Centre
Thursday, March 14 & 28:
2:30-4:30 p.m.

Community Connections
This information hub helps provide job, resume, health, and housing information, and connects people with community agencies. See the calendar online at winnipeg.ca/communityconnections for the full schedule of visiting agencies.

Programs for Adults

FILM SCREENINGS

Millennium Library,
Carol Shields Auditorium
Drop in to watch a free movie based on a book, an informative documentary, or a NFB release.

Book-to-Movie
Sunday, March 3: 2-4 p.m.
True Grit

Top Docs
Sunday, March 10: 2-3 p.m.
Eating Our Way to Extinction

NFB Film Club
Sunday, March 17: 2-3 p.m.
Lay Down Your Heart

Silver Screen Matinee
Sunday, March 24: 2-3:45 p.m.
Funny Face

ARCHITECTURE + DESIGN

FILM FESTIVAL

Millennium Library,
Carol Shields Auditorium
Offered in partnership with the Winnipeg Architecture Foundation, the festival presents critically acclaimed films focusing on the importance of architecture and design in everyday life.

Wednesday, March 20: 12-12:45 p.m.
The Making of Icons - the Untold Story of Canada’s Largest Theatre and Mural

Friday, March 22: 12-12:45 p.m.
Radical Attitudes: the Architecture of Douglas Cardinal

SKYWALK SERIES

Register to attend lectures online or attend in-person concerts.

Millennium Library,
Carol Shields Auditorium
Presented in partnership with the University of Winnipeg.

Wednesday, March 6: 12-12:50 p.m.
Lecture: Can Rock ‘n’ Roll Really Save the World . . . or at Least One Junior High? with Wayne Davies, UWinnipeg Education

Thursday, March 21: 12-12:50 p.m.
Concert: The Spirit of Flamenco with Flamenco Street Winnipeg

Seedy Saturday
Saturday, March 9: 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Millennium Library, 2nd and 3rd floors
Join us for seed swapping and kids’ activities, browse 30 vendors, and drop in for a workshop:
11 a.m.: Gardening 101 with Barbara Ediger
12:30 p.m.: Prairie Gardens and Climate Resilience with Laura Reeves
2 p.m.: Sequestering/Harvesting Water with Heather Unger
Offered in partnership with Spence Neighbourhood Association.

Locations & Hours
Visit winnipeg.ca/library for current hours and updates.
LEISURE AND LEARNING

All Things Yarn Club 🧶
Westwood Library
Thursday, March 7 & 21: 6-7 p.m.
Bring your project in progress or supplies for help getting started with yarn crafts.

Speaking Crow
Millennium Library, New & Noted Area
Saturday, March 9: 9-11 a.m.
Polish up your poems for three minutes of fame at the open mic!
Featured reader: Christine Stewart-Nuñez

LAC: Consult an Archivist 📚
Bill & Helen Norrie Library
Tuesday, March 12: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Book a 30-minute appointment with archivists from Library and Archives Canada to discuss finding records and resources related to genealogy, Indigenous history, immigration, and more.

Ukulele Jam 🎸
Westwood Library
Tuesday, March 12: 6-7:30 p.m.
Bring your own ukulele or borrow one from the lending library (pickup at Millennium Library only) and join our group for a monthly jam session of popular songs. Beginners and all levels of experience are welcome!

Knit Night 🧶
St. Vital Library
Tuesday, March 12: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Discover new techniques and get inspired by books from our collection.
BYOY&N (yarn and needles).

Decluttering Your Home 🙏
Westwood Library
Monday, March 18: 1-2 p.m.
Join members of the WRHA Healthy Aging Resource Team to discuss the topic of clutter and the ways in which it can impact our lives, as well as ideas and resources to help with decluttering.

Hologram Hunter: Graphic Novel Launch and Artist Talk
Millennium Library,
Carol Shields Auditorium
Saturday, March 16: 2-4 p.m.
Learn about the art and writing process behind how a 3D comic is made as author Scott A. Ford launches his newest sci-fi graphic novel with 3D illustrations.
Presented in partnership with Prairie Comics Festival.

I Wrote a Book: What’s Next? 📚
Millennium Library,
Carol Shields Auditorium
Wednesday, March 20: 6-8 p.m.
Join Writer-in-Residence Susie Moloney and Jamis Paulson from Turnstone Press to learn practical steps to publish and promote your work, including prepping your book, using an agent, and posting on social media.

Mushroom Cultivation 🍄
Louis Riel Library
Saturday, March 23: 2-4 p.m.
Mushroom enthusiast Tom Nagy will illustrate the basic techniques to cultivate edible mushrooms and how to creatively incorporate them into flower beds and vegetable gardens.

ideaMILL PROGRAMS

Sewing Saturdays 🌿
Saturday, March 2:
2:30-3:30 & 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Looking to pick up a new skill? Have a garment that you need to mend? Join us for sewing help. Beginner sewers welcome.

Make Music Night
Wednesdays, March 6 & 20:
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Bring your own acoustic instrument and drop in for a jam and share session.

Second Sundays Craft Circle: Origami
Sunday, March 10: 1-3 p.m.
Drop in with a project of your own, or get creative with our featured craft, origami.

Knitting Circle
Tuesday, March 12 & 26: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Bring your project in progress or supplies for help getting started. For knitters of all levels.

Quilting Basics
Sunday, March 17: 1:30-4:30 p.m.
Learn the basics of sewing and quilting by making a quilted coaster. Beginner sewers welcome.

Don’t have a Winnipeg Public Library card? Getting one is easy. Apply for a card at any library or fill out an online form to access our Digital Library only.

the nature of things Screening & Discussion 📽️
Join The Nature of Things co-host Sarika Cullis-Suzuki and executive Sue Dando to learn behind-the-scenes secrets of this iconic Canadian series. Watch highlights from episodes followed by a panel discussion and a Q&A.

Millennium Library,
Carol Shields Auditorium
Thursday, March 14: 5-7 p.m.
BOOK CLUBS
Join an ongoing club that still has space!

Graphic Novel Book Club 🔴
Millennium Library, Anhang Room
Saturday, March 2: 2-4 p.m.
Join us for conversation about favourite graphic novels and comics.

Bound Rebellion Book Club 🔴
Monday, March 18: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
March theme: Women's History

Boundless Book Club 🔴
Bill & Helen Norrie Library
Tuesday, March 19: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
March title: The Midnight Library by Matt Haig

West Kildonan Baking Book Club 🔴
Thursday, March 21: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Sir William Stephenson Book Club 🔴
Tuesday, March 26: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
March title: H is for Hawk by Helen MacDonald.

Westwood Library Book Club 🔴
Tuesday, March 26: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
March title: News of the World by Paulette Jiles

Queer Media Meetup 🔴
Harvey Smith Library
Wednesday, March 27: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Get together to talk about favourite queer books, movies, tv shows, and video games.

COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

Tech Tuesdays with North End Connect
St. John’s Library
Tuesday, March 5 & 19: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Bring your phone, tablet, or laptop or use a library computer for help with technology questions.

eMedia HELP One-on-One Appointments 🔴
Book a one-on-one appointment with Library staff for help with digital library services.

Louis Riel Library
Thursday, March 7: 10:15 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

PowerPoint Level 1 🔴
Cornish Library
Monday, March 18: 5:45-7:45 p.m.
Learn the basics of creating slides, formatting text, adding images, and running a slide show.
Basic computer skills are required.

PowerPoint Level 2 🔴
Cornish Library
Thursday, March 21: 5:45-7:45 p.m.
Learn to insert charts, audio clips, and video clips, and how to customize presentations.
Prerequisite: PowerPoint 1 or equivalent knowledge.

ONLINE PROGRAMS

Time to Read Podcast: Moon of the Turning Leaves
Release date: Friday, March 1
Listen to the discussion of Moon of the Turning Leaves by Waubgeshig Rice. Check out current and past podcast episodes at wpl-podcast.winnipeg.ca.

Perspectives Online Book Club 🔴
Tuesday, March 12: 6:45-7:45 p.m.
Read books by diverse authors writing about genders, abilities, and cultures.
March title: True Biz by Sara Nović

Introduction to Heirloom Tomatoes 🔴
Wednesday, March 13: 6-7:15 p.m.
Join Dr. Eva Pip to learn about starting heirloom tomatoes from seed and nurturing seedlings, as well as how to harden off, transplant, and water plants.

Caring for Heirloom Tomatoes 🔴
Tuesday, March 19: 6-7:15 p.m.
Dr. Eva Pip will discuss fertilizing, fruit management, pruning, and container growing, as well as considerations for growing competitive show tomatoes, harvesting and storage, and seed saving.

Friends of the Library Giant Book Sale
St. James Civic Centre, 1055 Ness Ave.
Saturday & Sunday, April 6 & 7: 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
All proceeds go to Winnipeg Public Library. Learn more at friendswpl.ca.

Online Teen Book Club 🔴
Talk about books, meet new people, and have fun, all from the comfort of your home. Grades 7-12. Meets online via zoom.
Wednesday, March 20: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
March title: Echoes and Empires by Morgan Rhodes

Programs for Children & Youth

FOR YOUR CHILD’S SAFETY

- For children ages 11 and younger, a parent or caregiver must remain in the library during the program.
- Children are not supervised by library staff outside of the program space (e.g. washroom breaks or early exit from the program).
- In the absence of a parent or caregiver, library staff does not assume responsibility for a child.
- Children of all abilities are welcome to attend library programs. If a child requires the support of a parent or caregiver to participate in a program, please speak with staff.
- School-age programs are for children ages 6-12. Children attend on their own unless otherwise indicated.
Winter Early Literacy Programs

Join other families for these staff-led programs featuring stories, songs and rhymes for children 0-5 and their caregivers. Discover simple practices to nurture pre-reading skills. The library is a place where learning and fun happen at the same time! All children must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Sessions began the week of January 22 and end by March 16. Monday programs end March 18.

For details on locations, times and to register, visit our Programs & Events calendar at winnipeg.ca/library, or register in person or by phone.

Baby Rhyme Time

Introduce babies to the sounds of language through rhymes, songs and simple stories. For babies newborn to 18 months with a caregiver. 20-30 minutes.

Toddler Time

Help toddlers learn about letters, numbers, colours, shapes and more by sharing books, songs and rhymes. For children 19-36 months with a caregiver. 20-30 minutes.

Sensory Story Time

Share books, songs and movement activities in sensory supportive environment with low lights, fidget toys and a visual schedule. For children 3 years and up with a caregiver. 30 minutes.

Family Story Time

Help build pre-reading skills by sharing stories, singing and having fun together! For children up to 5 years with a caregiver. 30 minutes.

Homeschool Hangs

Do you need a space to work on homeschool materials with your child? Join us at our drop-in space for homeschool families to study and socialize! Drop in.

Westwood Library

Mondays from 1-5 p.m.
March 4, April 6, May 6, June 3

Making with Magformers

Play with Magformers® magnetic construction sets and build 3D creatures, cars, castles, or anything you can imagine! Ages 6-12. 60 minutes.

West Kildonan Library

Saturday, March 9: 2 p.m.

Munroe Library

Friday, March 15: 2 p.m.

Family Game Night

Come to the library for an evening of family fun. Play games, read books and make a craft. For families. Drop in.

Harvey Smith Library

Tuesday, March 12: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Minecraft Poster Creations

Create a Minecraft biome using official Minecraft paper patterns. Design a farm, forest, mine, flying citadel or whatever you can imagine! Ages 6-12. 60 minutes.

Windsor Park Library

Monday, March 18: 6:30 p.m.

Family Book Club

A book club for everyone in the family! Have fun, talk about some excellent books, and meet up with other families to share the perspectives of all ages. Best enjoyed by children 6-12 years old and a caregiver. 60 minutes.

March title:
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

Munroe Library

Tuesday, March 19, April 16, May 25

Duplo Story Maker

Explore storytelling using Duplo® bricks, figurines, and props. Choose from a variety of back drops, and get creative! For children ages 3-5 and a caregiver. 45 minutes.

St. James-Assiniboia Library

Thursday, March 21: 2 p.m.
Spring Break
at Winnipeg Public Library
March 23 to March 30

Visit the library this Spring Break for fun programs for kids and teens. All programs are free. Registration is required. Phone, visit, or go online at winnipeg.ca/library to register and view complete program descriptions.

Gazing at the Moon
Join us for an exciting adventure as we explore the phases of the moon! Through interactive activities and engaging visuals, we’ll delve into the science and wonder of the moon. Ages 6-12. 60 minutes.

Westwood Library
Saturday, March 23: 2 p.m.

Marble Run Mania
Design and build a marble run using cardboard recyclables. Experiment with speed, gravity, angles, and your imagination. Ages 6-12. 60 minutes.

Charleswood Library
Saturday, March 23: 2 p.m.

Tween Book Tasting
Looking for something new to read?! Sample a variety of exiting books in our Tween Book Tasting! (No food is present in the program) Ages 9-12. 60 minutes.

St. Vital Library
Saturday, March 23: 2 p.m.

Dompter les monstres
Es-tu prêt.e à affronter les monstres qui se cachent sous ton lit, dans ton placard et dans tes pires cauchemars? Embarque dans l’aventure et découvre comment apprivoiser ces créatures monstrueuses qui seront peut-être plus sympathiques que tu ne le croyais. Tu pourras aussi créer ton propre monstre à apporter à la maison. De 6 à 12 ans. 60 minutes.

Bibliothèque de Saint-Boniface
Le lundi 25 mars, de 14 h à 15 h

Pajama Story Time with a Stuffed Animal Friend
Stuffed animals like stories too! Bring a stuffed animal and wear your pajamas for stories, songs, rhymes, and a craft. Best enjoyed by children ages 3-8 with a caregiver. 45 minutes.

Pembina Trail Library
Monday, March 25: 6:30 p.m.

Minecraft Poster Creations
Create a Minecraft biome using official Minecraft paper patterns. Design a farm, forest, mine, flying citadel or whatever you can imagine! Ages 6-12. 60 minutes.

Sir William Stephenson Library
Tuesday, March 26: 2 p.m.

Bill and Helen Norrie Library
Thursday, March 28: 10:30 a.m.

Superheroes to the Rescue
Calling all superhero fans! Join us for stories, games, and a fun craft to take home. 6-8 years old. 45 minutes.

Munroe Library
Tuesday, March 26: 2 p.m.

Sink or Float
Learn about why things sink or float, and about different boats from around the world. Then use what you’ve learned to create your own boat that will be put to the test on the high seas. Ages 6-12. 60 minutes.

Henderson Library
Wednesday, March 27: 10:30 a.m.

We Dig Dinos
Calling all dino fans! Join us for dinosaur stories, facts, and activities. Ages 6-8. 60 minutes.

West Kildonan Library
Thursday, March 28: 10:30 a.m.

Let There Be Unicorns
Read magical books, make a unicorn craft, and have fun playing unicorn games. Ages 6-12. 60 minutes.

Millennium Library
Thursday, March 28: 2 p.m.

Pigeon, Piggie, and Elephant
Enjoy the books of Mo Willems with games, stories, and a puppet-making activity. Ages 6-8. 60 minutes.

St. Vital Library
Thursday, March 28: 2 p.m.

Spring Fling Dance Story Time
Do you love Music? So do we! Help us welcome spring with songs, instruments, dancing, and stories at a special Saturday morning story time. Ages 0-5 with a caregiver. 45 minutes.

Fort Garry Library
Saturday, March 30: 10:30 a.m.

Dad and Me Story Time
Calling all dads (and brothers, uncles, grandfathers, and family friends)! Help build pre-reading skills by sharing stories, singing, and having fun together at our special story time to celebrate dads and male role models. For children up to 5 years with a caregiver. 30 minutes. Drop in.

Westwood Library
Saturdays at 11 a.m.
March 30, April 27, May 18
Science Programs for Kids
Unlock the answers to scientific questions such as which chemical reactions cause colour change, how to make a balloon car, and how coding works. University of Manitoba students will lead fun hands-on activities to engage children in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math).
Presented by WISE Kid-Netic Energy.
60 minutes.

Codemakers Jr. 🎓
Ages 6-8.
Henderson Library
Saturday, March 23: 10:30 a.m.
Millenium Library
Saturday, March 23: 2 p.m.
St. John’s Library
Tuesday, March 26: 2 p.m.

Codemakers 🎓
Ages 9-12.
Harvey Smith Library
Tuesday, March 26: 6:30 p.m.

Créateurs de code 🎓
De 9 à 12 ans.
Bibliothèque de Saint-Boniface
Le jeudi 28 mars à 10h 30

Rosie Revere Balloon Cars 🎓
Ages 6-8.
Westwood Library
Tuesday, March 26: 10:30 a.m.
Windsor Park Library
Saturday, March 30: 10:30 a.m.

Science on the Run 🎓
Ages 9-12.
Fort Garry Library
Wednesday, March 27: 2 p.m.

Super Structures 🎓
Ages 9-12.
Cornish Library
Monday, March 25: 2 p.m.
Munroe Library
Thursday, March 28: 6:30 p.m.

Reading with Raptors 🎓
Owls and falcons will be swooping into the library with staff from the Prairie Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre. Staff will bring an owl, falcon, or other wild animals and together we will read stories and learn interesting facts about these wondrous creatures. Ages 6-12.
60 minutes.

Bill and Helen Norrie Library
Saturday, March 23: 10:30 a.m.
Louis Riel Library
Monday, March 25: 2 p.m.
Transcona Library
Tuesday, March 26: 10:30 a.m.
Sir William Stephenson Library
Thursday, March 28: 2 p.m.

Spring Break Online
These programs are online via Zoom. A link to attend is sent when you register.

Reading with Raptors Online 🎓
Join staff from the Prairie Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre online to meet an owl, falcon, or other wild animals and together we will read stories and learn interesting facts about these wondrous creatures. For families. 60 minutes.

Wednesday, March 27: 2 p.m.
Science Snippets Online 🎓
Enjoy trying out different types of science! Be a chemist and discover the difference between baking soda and powder. Create a fantastical creature while investigating dominant and recessive genes. Make a pompom launcher and explore physics. Discover aeronautics by building and testing a plane. A snippet is just the start! Presented on Zoom by Scientists in School.
One science kit will be provided per child to be picked up at your preferred branch location. For ages 6-12.
Tuesday, March 26: 10:30 a.m.
Thursday, March 28: 2 p.m.
Thursday, March 28: 6:30 p.m.

Manitoba Chamber Orchestra at the Library
Fiddlers in the Library 🎓
Listen to a wide range of entertaining musical styles and discover how the instruments make the sounds they do. Best enjoyed by children ages 5-12 and their families. 45 minutes.

Charleswood Library
Thursday, March 28: 2 p.m.
Pembina Trails Library
Thursday, March 28: 6:30 p.m.

Percussion in the Library 🎓
Experience the amazing variety and sounds of percussion instruments! Hear beautiful melodies, move to the beat, discover rhythms, and have fun with silly noises! Best enjoyed by children ages 5-12 and their families. 45 minutes.

West Kildonan Library
Monday, March 25: 2 p.m.
Osborne Library
Tuesday, March 26: 2 p.m.