



# PUBLIC LIBRARY

Monday to Thursday 10 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Friday & Saturday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday Closed

Closed September 1

445 Hunter St., Woodstock ON

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## Storytimes!

Each program includes age-appropriate stories, rhymes, songs, and activities designed by library professionals to help children develop literacy skills and a love of reading. Dedicated time for play and to meet other families is provided at the end of the program. Children should be accompanied by a caregiver. **No registration required.**

Program	Description	Dates/Times
<b>Tales &amp; Tunes</b> (Family)	An interactive storytime that will cultivate a love of books with stories, songs, rhymes, and other activities.	Wednesdays Sept 10–Oct 29, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
<b>Toddler Tales</b> (12–36 months)	An active program with stories, rhymes, songs, and other activities.	Thursdays Sept 11–Oct 30, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
<b>Books &amp; Bounces</b> (Birth–18 months)	Babies and caregivers will hear stories, and learn songs, rhymes, and bounces that will help foster a love of reading.	Thursdays Sept 11–Oct 30, 12–1 p.m.
<b>Story Explorers</b> (3–5 years)	Build on stories through songs, rhymes, and hands on STEAM activities for preschoolers.	Fridays Sept 12–Oct 31, 10:30–11:30 a.m.
<b>Strollers and Stories</b> (Birth–18 months)	Join us for a 30-minute walk followed by a 15-minute storytime at Victoria Park. Indoors if inclement weather. Please meet at the corner of Hunter and Graham Street by noon.	Fridays Sept 12–Oct 31, 12–1:00 p.m.

**Indigenous Storytime and Language Teachings** (Family) Saturday, September 13 – 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Join us in learning about Indigenous languages this month with the Indigenous Solidarity & Awareness Network – Oxford and special guest Melissa Deleary. **No registration required, just drop by!**

## Programs for Children

**Two Row Learning** (6–12 years)

**Monday, September 15 – 5:30–7:30 p.m.**

Explore and immerse yourself in Indigenous culture, knowledge and teachings. Participate in discussions, hands-on activities and crafts. Complimentary pizza and snacks. **No registration required.**

**Homeschool Meetup** (Family)

**Monday, September 15 – 1–3 p.m.**

Meet other Homeschooling families for an afternoon of fun! Bring your own board games, or play one of ours. Test a robot or two. **No registration required.**

**Retro Video Gaming Night!** (All Ages)

**Tuesday, September 16 – 6–8 p.m.**

Feeling nostalgic about the games from your youth? Want to play the original Mario Party your parents won't stop talking about? Play a sampling of retro games on various consoles. **No registration required.**

**After-school Hang Out** (6–12 years)

**Thursday, September 25 – 3:30–5 p.m.**

Drop in to the library after school to create and try out some fun games, robots, and crafts! Snacks will be provided. **No registration required.**

# Programs for Children

**PA Day Movie: *Lilo & Stitch*** (Family)  
Tuesday, September 2 – 2:30–4:30 p.m.

Join us for a family friendly movie! We will be showing *Lilo & Stitch* (PG). Popcorn included! **No registration required.**

**Paper Circuits with Codelets** (5+ years)  
Saturday, September 20 – 2:30–4 p.m.

Join Woodstock's newest STEM adventure, Codelets, as they help us discover circuits using simple materials like paper and LED lights to create amazing DIY projects! Please be advised that button batteries will be used to build projects. **Registration opens September 6.**

**Saturday Breakout** (6+ years)  
Saturday, September 27 – 2:30–4:30 p.m.

Try to break open the box before time runs out! Breakout games are similar to escape rooms and are full of puzzles that are fun for the whole family. **Registration opens September 13.**



# Programs for Teens

**Pizza Pop-up with Brightside** (12+ years)  
Monday, September 8 – 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Drop in to enjoy pizza and games with Brightside. Brightside Youth Hub is a Woodstock-based group committed to providing youth access to the services they need at no cost. **No registration required.**

**Lunch Time Breakout** (12–18 years)  
Thursdays starting September 11 – 11–11:45 a.m.

Can you and your friends solve all the puzzles to break open the box? A new Breakout EDU game will be featured each week! **No registration required.**



**Teen Volunteer Fair** (Grades 9–12)  
Saturday, September 27 – 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Looking for community service hours, a meaningful way to contribute to the Woodstock community, or interested in gaining valuable work experience? Drop by to meet several community organizations that are seeking teen volunteers. Perfect for students in high school. Don't miss your chance to get involved and give back! **No registration required.**



## Programs for Adults

### Mah-Jongg

Tuesdays in September – 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

American Mah-Jongg is an exciting game that will challenge participants. Join us! New players are welcome. No registration required.

### Chit Chat Circle

Tuesdays in September – 1:30–3 p.m.

Socialize in a safe space hosted by the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA). We will discuss a variety of wellness topics. Refreshments provided. No registration required.

### Pub Trivia

Wednesday, September 17 – 7–8:30 p.m.

Join us at Upper Thames Brewing Company each month where you and your teammates can test your smarts against other beer enthusiasts! No registration required.

### Doors Open Woodstock:

#### Carnegie Library Tour

Saturday, October 4 – 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Join us in celebrating local heritage with a special staff guided tour of the 116 year-old architectural marvel known as the Woodstock Public Library.



### Board Game Drop-In

Mondays, September 8 – 2–4 p.m.

Join us for board games and fun! Come play your favourite classic board game or challenge yourself to try something new. Drop-in, no registration required.

### WPL Book Club

Tuesdays, September 9 & October 7 – 2–3 p.m.

Thursdays, September 11 & October 9 – 7–8 p.m.

Begin each month with a good read! Join us for our afternoon or evening session for a lively discussion on the title selected. Open to all. No registration required.

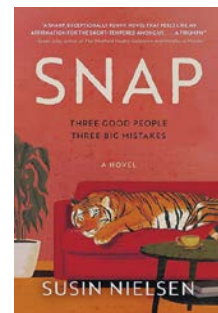
#### September Title

*Encampment:  
Resistance, Grace, and an  
Unhoused Community*  
Maggie Helwig



#### October Title

*Snap*  
Susin Nielsen



### Knitting and Crochet Drop-In

Saturdays, September 13 and 27 – 2–3 p.m.

Come out for a cozy hour of knitting and crochet! Bring your project or check out our collection of crochet and knitting books for patterns. New to the craft? We will have extra crochet hooks, knitting needles, and yarn for you to get started! No registration required.

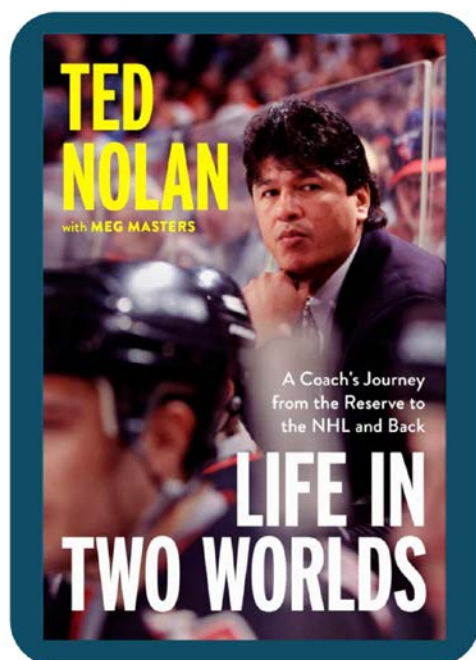
### Dungeons and Dragons: Dragon Heist (18+)

Saturday, September 27 – 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Join us to play the Waterdeep: Dragon Heist Dungeons and Dragons module. No previous DND or roleplaying experience is required, but a willingness to have fun with a group of like-minded people is. Game play is 2 hours. Registration opens September 13.

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## 2025 Oxford Reads Title



Join our community-wide reading initiative and borrow your copy today from Oxford County Library or Woodstock Public Library.

Oxford County Library

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### Crafty Adults

Thursday, September 18 – 7–8 p.m.

If you're looking for the perfect literature-inspired door decoration, join us at the library to make your very own book-page wreath! All supplies will be provided by the library. No experience necessary. Registration opens September 4.

### Writers' Group (15+ years)

Wednesday, September 24 – 6–8 p.m.

Active and aspiring writers of all kinds are welcome to join us once a month for a time of fellowship, support, and quiet writing. Snacks provided. Mutual support appreciated! No registration required.

### Cyber Assist

Tuesdays – 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Wednesdays – 2:30–3:30 p.m.

Book one-on-one assistance with our technology specialist. Sessions are 30 minutes in length. Book online or call 519-539-4801, extension 3006.

### Genealogy Assist

Book a one-on-one session with a genealogy specialist librarian. Learn how to use the library's digital microfilm readers and e-Resources including Ancestry Library Edition and Paper of Record. Each session is 50 minutes in length. Registration required. Check our website or call 519-539-4801, extension 3006 for available dates and times.

### Culture Days Fair (All Ages)

Saturday, September 20 – 11 a.m.–4 p.m.

Join us at the Woodstock Public Library to celebrate local artisans, businesses, and cultural groups at this year's Culture Days. We will be hosting a number of booths around the library, so come out to celebrate the Woodstock community!



Check out the COW Tales 'Way Back When' contest on page 19 and enter today!

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