



Lethbridge
Public Library

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May - June 2024

Program & Event Guide

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All Ages

For all LPL programming & events, visit
lethlib.ca/events

Location Legend:

M = Main **C** = Crossings

Escape Rooms

C Gather your friends and test your sleuthing skills at our free Escape Rooms! Book a day & time online.

Let's Get Beading Workshop

Join this exciting, beginner-friendly beading workshop. We will dive into the rich history and knowledge of Indigenous beadwork. All supplies included. Please register online.

M June 10 & 24 | 6-7 p.m.

Medicine Wheel Wellness

During this four-week workshop, we will review each part of the Medicine Wheel; Physical, Mental, Emotional and Spiritual.

M May 6, 13, 20 & 27 | 6-7 p.m.

Sensory Friendly Browsing

A designated hour for individuals of all ages and abilities who prefer a sensory-friendly time to browse in a calm, judgement-free environment. Noise and lighting are reduced in the Children's library.

M Saturdays | 10-11 a.m.

Star Wars Day

Whether you're a jedi, a sith, or a rebel there will be plenty of intergalactic activities for you and your family!

C May 4 | 1-4 p.m.

Big Truck Petting Zoo

C June 1 | 10 a.m.-3 p.m.



Get up close to the big trucks and heavy equipment used in and around our city!



National Indigenous History Month

June is National Indigenous History Month, a time to celebrate and learn about the traditions, knowledge and experiences of First Nations, Inuit and Metis culture. Please continue to check our website and social media for updates on each week's events and activities!

Box Office Tuesdays

Escape the weekday grind with a free movie, complete with popcorn! Children under 10 must attend with an adult. Films will be shown with closed captions.

M Tuesdays | 5:45 p.m.

May 7 | Biosphere (2023, 14A)

In the not-too-distant future, the last two men on earth must adapt and evolve to save humanity.

May 14 | The Holdovers (2023, 14A)

A cranky history teacher at a prep school is forced to remain on campus over the holidays with a grieving cook and a troubled student who has no place to go.

May 21 | Wonka (2023, PG)

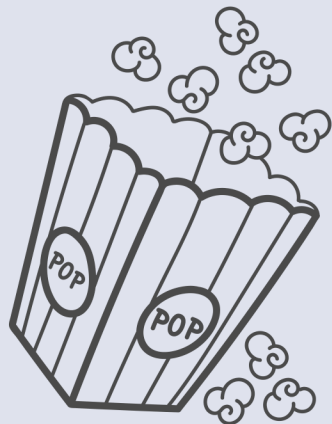
With dreams of opening a shop in a city renowned for its chocolate, a young and poor Willy Wonka discovers that the industry is run by a cartel of greedy chocolatiers.

Box Office Tuesdays: Pride Film Festival

M Tuesdays | 6:15 p.m.

June 4 | Of An Age (2023, 14A)

In the summer of 1999, a 17-year-old Serbian-born Australian amateur ballroom dancer experiences an unexpected and intense 24-hour romance with a friend's older brother.



June 11 | Mutt (2023, PG)

Within the space of 24 hours, Feña is swept through the extremes of human emotion when people who seemed to disappear when he transitioned are suddenly back in his life.

June 18 | Passages (2023, 18A)

A gay couple's marriage is thrown into crisis when one of them impulsively begins a passionate affair with a young woman.

June 25 | Blue Jean (2023, 14A)

In 1988, a closeted teacher is pushed to the brink when a new student threatens to expose her sexuality.



Children

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Babes in the Library (ages 0-18M)

Songs, rhymes and stories for you and your little one(s) for language development, support and fun!

C Mondays | 10:30-11 a.m.

M Tuesdays | 10:30-11 a.m.

Chill Art Afternoon (ages 9-12)

Discover art as a tool for self-care and expression. Explore different mediums, learn new skills, and create your own work of art to take home.

M Dates & times to be determined

“Grand” Time (ages 5-12)

Library fun & games for grandparents or caregivers and grandkids.

C May 10 | 1-3 p.m.

M May 31 & June 28 | 2-4 p.m.

I Survived! D-Day (ages 5+)

Go back in time to the battle of D-Day during World War II and learn what happened on that fateful day.

C June 2 | 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Kids Adventure Club (ages 6-10)

No Thank-you Evil: facilitators work with participants to create games full of adventure, solve mysteries and confront bad guys. All supplies are provided. Registration is required.

M May 10, 14 | 2:30-3:30 p.m.
& June 21

Kids Art Show Gala

Come celebrate the works of our young artists! Friends and family welcome.

Art theme: A Splash of Colour

M May 11 | 1-3 p.m.



Kids Art Show Gala 2023

Lethbridge Babywearing

Learn how to safely babywear! Try a variety of carriers and receive expert advice on how to best fit your family's needs. Explore the benefits of safe babywearing and connect with others.

C May 9 & June 13 | 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Magical Kitties Save the Day

A guided role playing game from a game master through fun and magical adventures! Register online.

C May 24, 31 | 1:30-2:30 p.m.
& June 7

Maker Afternoons (ages 5+)

Experiment and play with a wide range of gadgets, including Makey Makeys, Spheros, and Snap Circuits

M May 17 & June 14 | 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Mr. Oinks Puppet Show

Join Mr. Oinks for songs, stories, and lots of silly fun!

M May 1 & June 5 | 1:30-2p.m.

Outdoor Adventure Play

Use the natural elements of the Millennium Garden to inspire active and creative outdoor play to connect with nature. Dress for the weather.

M May 22 & June 15 | 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Parent Connect

Connect with other caregivers and learn what local community organizations have to offer. Enjoy a cup of coffee and a snack. Children welcome.

M Wednesdays | 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Schools Out!

On school closure days, visit the library and enjoy a variety of crafts, games, and other activities!

M May 21 | 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Did you know? Items in the **Toy Library** can be borrowed for three weeks!



And that's not all!

Scan here using your mobile camera for the full events calendar



lethlib.ca/events

Stories & Stuff (ages 3-5)

Enjoy new stories and old favourites with others. Stories entertain, inspire, and help learn patterns and the vocabulary necessary for reading.

C Thursdays | 10:30-11 a.m.

M Fridays | 10:30-11 a.m.

The Dragon Reading Club

Complete reading challenges to earn cool trading cards. Then come to the meeting to discuss books and play with the cards!

C May 23 | 5-6 p.m.

Time for Twos (ages 18-36M)

Come and meet other families during this early literacy program learn fun rhymes, songs, and new ways to play with your child.

C Tuesdays | 10:30-11 a.m.

M Wednesdays | 10:30-11 a.m.

Tween Scene (grades 4-6)

Join Tween Scene club for a fun afternoon of crafts, games and activities with others! Register online.

C May 17, 31 | 2-4:30 p.m.
& June 14



Teens

Big Screen Video Games

Giant Mario Kart. Epic Super Smash Bros. Katamari like you've never seen it before. Drop by to play video games on our movie screen and win prizes!

M May 10 & June 14 | 3-5 p.m.

Out @ the Library

The library's GSA is back, in partnership with OUTreach Southern Alberta! Join other teens for an evening of fun, snacks and book giveaways!



C May 3 | 6-8 p.m.

Rainbow Video Games

June 7 | 6-8 p.m. Drag Royalty Q&A

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Teen Book Club (grades 7-12)

The FOLD Challenge: Read a book with the following theme and join us to discuss!

May: Historical Fiction written by a South Asian author

June: Book written by a Blackfoot or Cree author

C May 31 & June 28 | 4-5 p.m.

Bookmobile Schedule (May 1 - June 30)

Mondays

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Sunridge Community

No Service May 20
for Victoria Day

Tuesdays

1-2:30 p.m.
Lakeview School

2:45-4:15 p.m.
Dr. Robert Plaxton School

5-7:20 p.m.
Tudor Estates

Wednesdays

1-2:25 p.m.
Senator Joyce Fairbairn School

2:30-4:30 p.m.
Nicholas Sheran School

5:15-7:30 p.m.
St. Patrick School

Thursdays

1-2:15 p.m.
Senator Buchanan School

2:30-4:30 p.m.
Galbraith School

5:15-7:20 p.m.
Elizabeth McKillop Park

Fridays (alternating)

12-5 p.m.
Coalhurst School

May 10, 24
June 7 and 21

Saturdays

9:45 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Henderson Lake Park

1:15-3:40 p.m.
Parkbridge Estates

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Pride Month Events

Queer 101

Learn inclusive terminology and understand the differences between sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. Presented with Lethbridge Pride Fest Society and OUTreach Southern Alberta.

M June 3 | 6-7:30 p.m.

C June 9 | 2-3:30 p.m.

Rainbow Connection (grades 3-6)

This is a safe and respectful space for LGBTQ2S+ kids and allies to make friends, build community, do fun activities and enjoy snacks!

M May 3 & June 3 | 3-4:30 p.m.

Reading with Royalty

Enjoy stories, songs, and fun for the whole family from local drag royalty! Presented in partnership with Lethbridge Pride Fest.

M June 8 | 1 p.m.

C June 15 | 1 p.m.

Pride Film Festival information on page 3 or at lethlib.ca/events



Adult

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AI Art & You!

Join us for an overview of the ethics and responsible use of this new technology and create your own visual art with Artificial Intelligence.

M May 11 | 2-3 p.m.

Bad Art Night

Here's your permission to fail and make the worst art possible! The creator of the "worst" art wins the official Bad Art Trophy.

M June 17 | 6-7:30 p.m.

Between The Covers

Love reading romance? This club discusses all things romance, sub-genres and tropes. Share & grow your *To Be Read* list with fellow romance reading enthusiasts!

C May 2 & June 6 | 6:45-7:45 p.m.

Cook the Book Club

Ever wished you could try every recipe in a cookbook? This potluck-style cookbook club tries to do just that! Registration required online.

M May 26 & June 23 | 1-2 p.m.

Definitely Not Plato Book Club

M May 6 | 6:30 p.m.

The Wolf: A True Story of Survival and Obsession in the West
by Nate Blakeslee

M June 3 | 6:30 p.m.

Small Things Like These
by Claire Keegan

Flights of Fantasy Writing Club

Calling all science fiction and fantasy authors to join our writing club!

C May 9 & June 13 | 6-7:30 p.m.

Hobby Fair

Find a new hobby at the first Hobby Fair featuring local clubs, businesses, and organizations. Whether you want to find a way to express yourself artistically or start a new collection you can find something suited to you!

M June 29 | 1-4 p.m.

International Movie Night

Take in some international movies with us! Hosted at Southern Alberta Ethnic Association (421 6 Ave S):

May 17 | 7 p.m.

Last Days at Sea (PG, Tagalog)

June 21 | 7 p.m.

El Facilitador (Not Rated, Spanish)

Name that Tune: Disney

Are you the ultimate Disney fan? Can you sing along to every song? This is your chance to prove it. Teams of up to six can register online to participate.

M May 28 | 6 p.m.

NFB Viewings

Join us for the following films from the National Film Board. View full descriptions at lethlib.ca/events

M May 6 | 5:30p.m.
The Colour of Ink (2022)

June 3 | 5:30 p.m.
Kimmapiiyipitssini: The Meaning of Empathy (2021)

June 22 | 1 p.m.
Compilation films (various)

OUT on the Big Screen

A movie night in partnership with OUTreach Southern Alberta, featuring queer films on the big screen.

C May 17 | 6 p.m.
Moonlight (14A)

June 14 | 6 p.m.
Every Body (14A)

Puzzle Race

Your mission is to solve three 1,000 piece puzzles in the shortest time possible. You and your five fastest friends compete together for the best time to win a special puzzle prize.

M Tuesdays | 6 p.m.

Reconnect to Play

Play builds connection, resiliency, and self-esteem - so why stop playing as an adult? Let's get back to it! Open to adults only & registration is required.

M June 1 | 5:30 p.m.

Nerf Gun War afterhours in the library

C June 8 | 2 p.m.

Build Box Forts & Sphero BOLT bots

Silent Book Club

No assigned reading, all readers are welcome... it's BYOBook. Settle in for an hour of silent, sustained reading. At the end of the hour, attendees can socialize—or not!

C May 10 & 24
June 7 & 28 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Sit 'n Stitch

Join other crafters to knit, crochet, and enjoy the company in this community-led drop-in program.

C Tuesdays & Saturdays | 1-3 p.m.



Speed Friending

Do you find it difficult to find new friends? Join us for fun conversations, make new friends and a welcoming “speed-dating” type atmosphere. Expand your social circle at this event. Register online!

M May 18 | 2 p.m.

The Book Dragons

Are you an adult who loves YA books? Join Book Dragons, where adults get together to discuss a teen-genre book.

C **May 23 | 6:45-7:45 p.m.**

Warrior Girl Unearthed
by Angeline Boulley

C **June 27 | 6:45-7:45 p.m.**

Fake Dates and Mooncakes
by Sher Lee

Waterton Lakes Info Session

Hear how Parks Canada is working to slow the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species this year, including a Q&A session with an Interpretation Officer.

M **May 14 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Wise Owls Pub Quiz

Trivia Night hosted at the Owl Acoustic Lounge. The top three teams take home prizes; the season champions get a trophy and their name on the Wise Owls plaque of honour. Maximum of six people to a team. Tables fill up quickly, so arrive early!

May 16 & June 20 | 8-10 p.m.



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Betty Maciura's love for books inspired her devotion; over 30 years of volunteer time to the Lethbridge Public Library and the Chinook Arch Regional Library System! She served as a trustee for the Lethbridge Library Board for two terms before doing the same on the then new Chinook Arch Board. In 1993, she was a founding member of the Society of Friends of the Lethbridge Public Library, working steadily as a weekly volunteer sorting donated books for sales to enhance library collections and programs. Well into her 80's, Betty staffed the Friends' book sales, toting boxes, setting up tables, and greeting everyone with a smile.

Betty passed away on January 14 at 95. Her fellow Friends of the Library cherish the many fond memories and our shared love of libraries. Betty's family has directed memorial donations to the Chinook Arch Regional Library System, allowing her dedication to libraries to continue into the future. Thank you, Betty!

Read On Adult Literacy & Learning

Book Talk Club

Are you interested in reading and talking about books? Join us to read, (and/or) listen to stories, and share what they mean to us. **This is a no-fee class.**

Dates: May 15, 22, 29 June 5, 12, 19, 26 | **Time:** 2-3 p.m. | **Location:** Main Branch

Computer Basics

A 7-week digital literacy class for those wanting to better learn to use computers.

Course cost is \$30.

Dates: May 16, 23, 30 June 6, 13, 20, 27 | **Time:** 2-4 p.m. | **Location:** Main Branch

Conversation Club

For English Language Learners, at CLB 2 – 3 or CLB 4 – 6 level, who want to improve their communication skills, increase their vocabulary, and be more comfortable speaking. **Cost for each course \$30**

CLB 2-3

Dates:

May 13, 27,
June 3, 10, 17, 24

Time:

10:15-11:45 a.m.

Location:

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CLB 4-6

Dates:

May 14, 21,
June 4, 11, 18, 25

Time:

6-7:30 p.m.

Location: Main

Branch

CLB 4-6

Dates:

May 16, 23,
June 6, 13, 20, 27

Time:

6-7:30 p.m.

Location:

Crossings

CLB 4-6

Dates:

May 17, 24, 31
June 7, 14, 21, 28

Time:

1-2:30 p.m.

Location: Main

Branch

Pre-CAEC

The Canadian Adult Education Credential (CAEC) replaces the GED (General Education Diploma) in Alberta, beginning May 3, 2024. If your skills are below a Grade 9 level, this class includes five hours each week of self-study and one hour each week with a tutor for extra help. **Program cost is \$30.**

Speechcraft

Write and present speeches, and learn speaking techniques from Coulee Commentators Toastmasters members. This is a program for English language learners at CLB 5+. **Course cost is \$40**

Dates: April 29, May 6, 13, 27, June 3, 10, 17, 24 | **Time:** 7-8:30 p.m. |

Location: 2805 - Avenue N. (Honker's Pub & Eatery)

Writing Basics

Learn how to write proper sentences and more! Let us help you improve your writing skills. **Course cost \$60 includes a workbook.**

Dates: May 13, 27, June 3, 10, 17, 24 | **Time:** 6-7 p.m. | **Location:** Main Branch

Art Gallery Highlight

M May 23 - June 19: Montageries
Artists from the AFA Collections

Montageries is not a term you will find in a dictionary. It combines the meanings of *montage* and *memories*. One source describes a montage as “any combination of disparate elements that forms or is felt to form a unified whole, single image, etc.” And, according to the same source, the word memories is plural of ‘memory’ – recalling impressions and facts, embodying remembrance, and recollections of times past.

This exhibition features a concise selection of nineteen artworks from over 8,000 objects of visual art held in the permanent collection of the Alberta Foundation for the Arts (AFA).

Artists: Kay Angliss, Carol Breen, Chris Cran, Mark Dicey, Robert Dmytruk, John K. Esler, Les Graff, John Hall, Alex Janvier, Brenda Jones-Smith, George Littlechild, Harry Kiyooka, Luke Lindoe, Janet Mitchell, Marion Nicoll, Katie Ohe, John Snow, Kenneth Sturdy, & Wendy Toogood

Image: *Autumn Nocturn*
by Kenneth Sturdy 1959 oil on plywood



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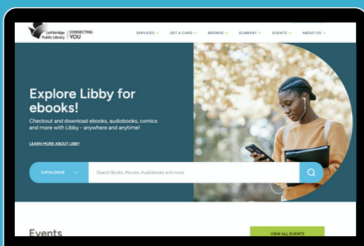
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Holiday Closures

Monday, May 20



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