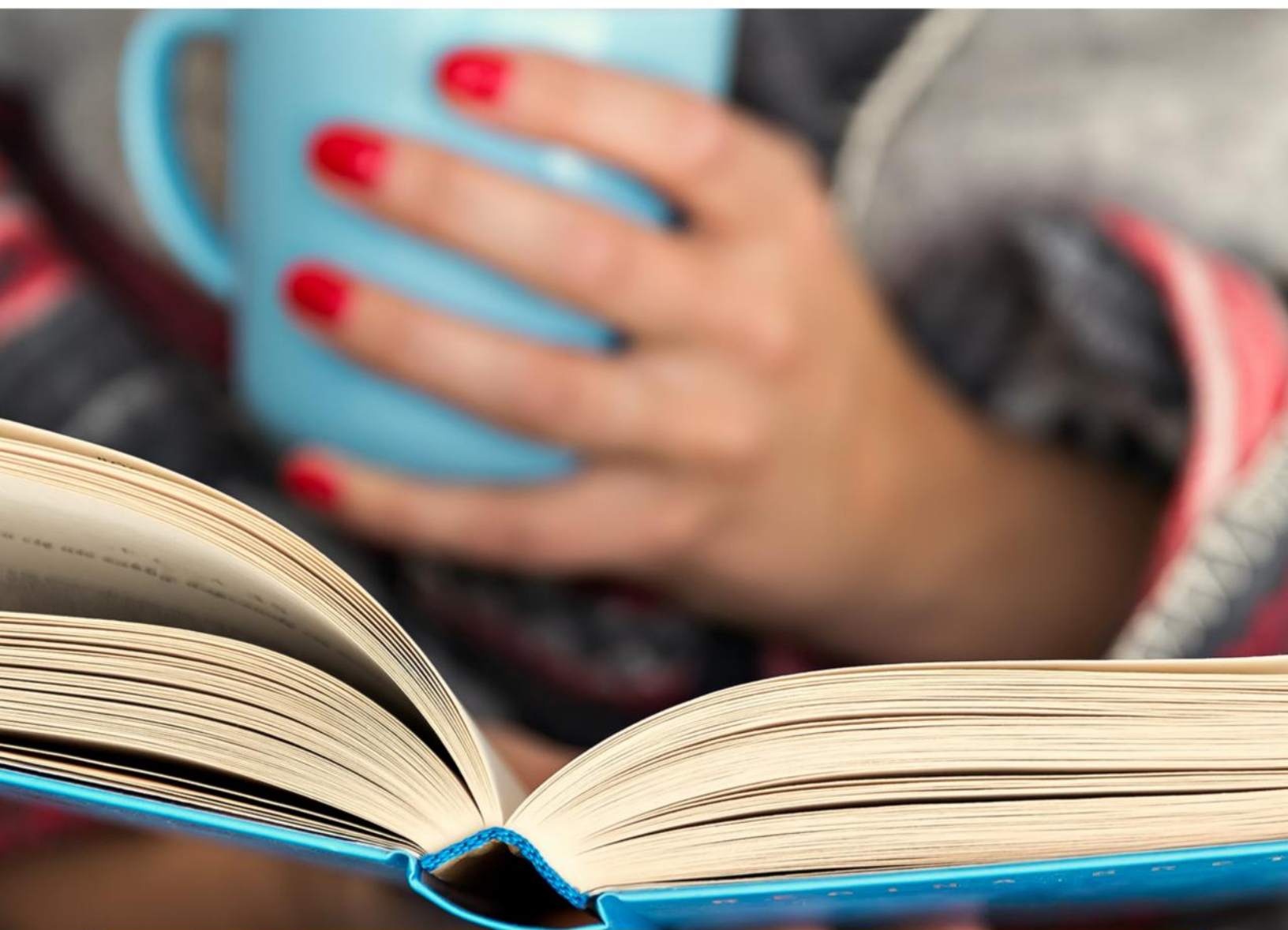




Program Guide FALL 2026



Fall registration opens **Saturday, September 12, 2026 at 10:00 am**

MEET-CUTES* & MANUSCRIPTS

* a charming or amusing first encounter between romantic partners (as in a book)

with Farah Heron



ROMANCE WRITING WORKSHOP

Join acclaimed **Canadian romance author Farah Heron** for an immersive morning workshop. Through Heron's guided instructions, attendees will explore the building blocks of great romance writing, from character chemistry and conflict to plotting, pacing, and happily-ever-afters.

Burford Branch

Saturday, Sept. 26
10:00 am - 12:00 pm

AUTHOR TALK AND Q&A

A literary afternoon with **Canadian romance author Farah Heron**. This engaging interview-style event will explore Heron's acclaimed contemporary romances, celebrated by CBC Books, USA Today and NPR for their warmth, humour, and vibrant portrayals of South Asian families, food and love.

Burford Branch

Saturday, Sept. 26
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm



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upcoming events, and more!



Fall registration opens **Saturday, September 12, 2026 at 10:00 am**

All branches will be closed:

Monday, September 28
Wednesday, September 30
Sunday, October 11
Monday, October 12
Friday, December 25
Saturday, December 26
Friday, January 1, 2027

Ways to register

- At any branch
- By phone
- Online **brantlibrary.ca/calendar**

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Need assistance or more information about registering?

 brantlibrary@brant.ca

 519.442.2433

NATURE TALES & TRAILS

Explore local wildlife that calls our county home. Discover bird watching, build a bird feeder, and uncover the magic of a StoryWalk® stroll in the park.

All Ages

Mount Pleasant Nature Park

755 Mount Pleasant Road

Saturday, Oct. 3 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Special thanks to funding assistance from Ontario Culture Days



Head outside with your library card.

Borrow from our Library of Things by exploring our Gear & Gadgets collection, and get yourself a little closer to nature this season.

brantlibrary.ca/gear



NIGHT UNDER THE STARS

Peer through the lens of a powerful telescope, track constellations, explore distant galaxies, star clusters, and other celestial marvels in an unforgettable evening of stargazing.

All Ages

Green Lane Sports Complex

8 Green Lane, Paris

Thursday, Oct. 15 | 7:00 -10:00 pm

Provided in partnership with KW Astrological Society



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Babies, Toddlers & Preschoolers

Registered Programs

Let's Get Ready for Kindergarten [Ages 3-5]

Children learn school readiness skills through stories and activities! Caregivers must remain in the library during the program.

St. George Branch

Tuesdays, Oct. 6 to Nov. 24 | 10:30 - 11:30 am

Paris Branch

Thursdays, Oct. 8 to Nov. 26 | 10:30 - 11:30 am

Burford Branch

Fridays, Oct. 9 to Nov. 27 | 10:30 - 11:30 am

Family Storytime [Ages 0-6, with a caregiver]

A playful mix of stories, songs, and rhymes designed to nurture and support early literacy.

Paris Branch

Wednesdays, Oct. 7 to Nov. 25 | 10:30 - 11:00 am*

Scotland-Oakland Branch

Wednesdays, Oct. 7 to Nov. 25 | 10:30 - 11:00 am*

*Optional stay and play opportunity 11:00 - 11:30 am

Music & Movement [Ages 0-6, with a caregiver]

Children and their caregivers will enjoy songs, rhythm, creative movement, and musical instruments together.

Paris Branch

Fridays, Oct. 9 to Nov. 27 | 10:30 - 11:00 am*

*Optional stay and play opportunity 11:00 - 11:30 am

Phonics Storytime [Ages 3-5]

Fun with a focus on letter identification and letter sound learning. Caregivers must remain in the library during the program.

Paris Branch

Tuesdays, Oct. 6 to Nov. 24 | 10:30 - 11:00 am*

*Optional stay and learn opportunity 11:00 - 11:30 am

Make & Play! [All Ages, with caregiver]

Explore activities that are specifically designed to spark creation and play.

Scotland-Oakland Branch

Saturdays, Oct. 10 to Nov. 28 | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm



Drop-In Programs

Fall Fun in Onondaga!

[All Ages, with caregiver]

Welcome fall with stories, crafts, and literacy-building activities.

Onondaga Mobile Library

Thursday, Oct. 15 and Thursday, Nov. 12
4:30 - 6:30 pm

Saturday Storytime

[All Ages, with caregiver]

Start your weekend with stories, songs and rhymes designed to promote early literacy.

Paris Branch

Saturdays, Oct. 10 to Nov. 28 | 10:30 - 11:00 am

*Optional stay and play opportunity 11:00 - 11:30 am

Parachute Program

in partnership with



A welcoming peer support program for parents with babies under 12 months. ECE facilitated with a music circle and weekly discussion about parenting.

St. George Branch

Tuesdays | 1:00 - 2:30 pm

DROP-IN FUN @ THE LIBRARY



Looking to fill your day with fun?
Drop-in crafts for children of all ages, with a caregiver.

Halloween Spooktacular!

Paris Branch

Thursday, Oct. 29 | 3:30 to 5:00 pm

Holiday Hullabaloo!

Paris Branch

Thursday, Dec. 10 | 3:30 to 5:00 pm

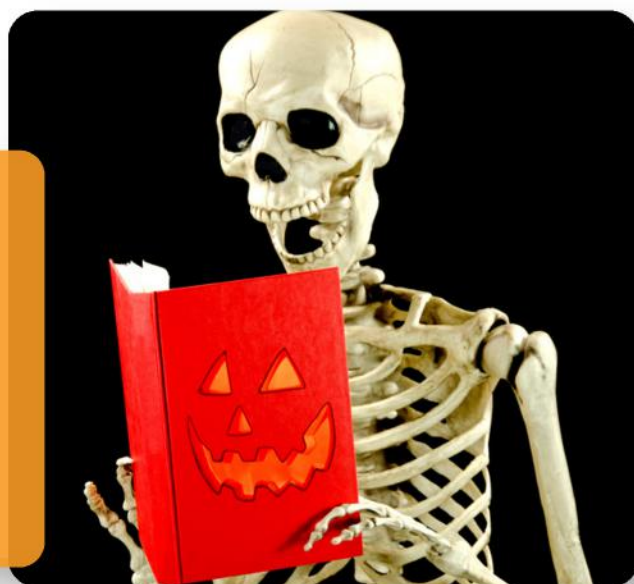
Hallow-READ

Calling all Kids, Tweens and Teens!
Get into the spirit with our online reading challenge!
Enjoy your favourite seasonal books and celebrate by
reading and completing challenges and activities.

Online and in-Branch

Monday, Oct. 19 to Monday, Oct. 31

Register at brantlibrary.ca/beanstack



Halloween Costume Exchange

Drop off gently used costumes and browse for something new!



**Burford, Paris, St. George,
Scotland-Oakland Branch**

Saturday, Sept. 12
to Saturday Oct. 31

Halloween Party!

Paint a canvas bag for trick-or-treating! Enjoy snacks, games and activities.

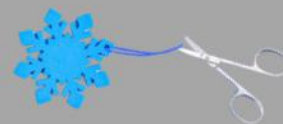


Paris Branch

Saturday, Oct. 17
2:30 - 3:30 pm
Registered, Ages 8+

Holiday Ornament Workshop

Get crafty, enjoy snacks, play games and have some holiday fun!



Paris Branch

Saturday, Dec. 12
2:30 - 3:30 pm
Registered, Ages 8+

Follow us!



Kids, Tweens & Teens

Registered Programs

NEW! Beginner Guitar [Ages 7-12]

Learn guitar in an 8-week course, then showcase your skills to the community in an evening performance for all ages to attend. Child and caregiver will learn together in each session.

Paris Branch

Sundays, Oct. 18 to Nov. 29 | 1:30 - 2:20 pm

Friday, Dec. 4 | evening performance finale

This program is in partnership with the Guitar Society of Brantford.



Drop-In Programs

3D Sketch & Create [Ages 8+]

Get hands-on with creative 3D pens that let you make a take-home project.

Scotland-Oakland Branch

Second Thursday, Monthly

Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12 | 3:00 - 4:30 pm

Game Zone [Ages 8+]

Join friends (or make new ones) while gaming, playing board games & crafting.

Scotland-Oakland Branch

Thursdays, Oct. 15 to Nov. 26* | 3:00 - 4:30 pm

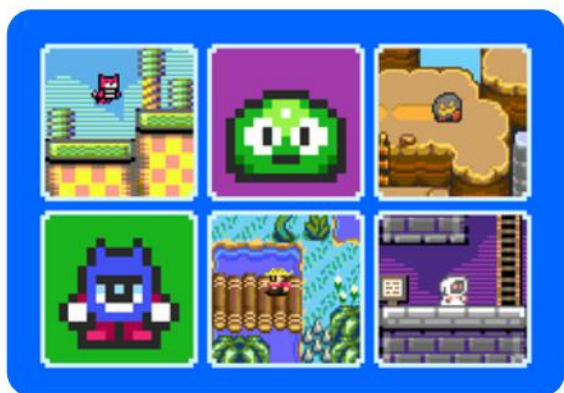
*excludes Nov. 12

Magic the Gathering [Ages 10+]

Learn & play the classic card game where all skill levels are welcomed and play together.

St. George Branch

Saturdays, Oct. 10 to Nov. 28 | 12:00 - 2:00 pm



Build Your Own Video Game [Ages 8+]

Using Bloxels, you'll design characters, build levels, and bring your game to life! No previous gaming experience needed.

Burford Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 13 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Dungeons & Dragons [Ages 10+]

Immerse yourself in the frigid wilderness of Icewind Dale; battle harsh conditions, uncover mysteries, and break the spell of the Frostmaiden.

St. George Branch

Wednesdays, Oct. 7 to Nov. 25 | 3:30 - 5:00 pm

Homeschool Class Visit [Ages 4+]

A visit filled with activities, learning and fun!

Paris Branch

Friday, Nov. 20 | 10:30 - 11:30 am

Teen Book Boxes

[Ages 13-18]

Each box includes a curated book selection, a craft, goodies, and a snack—everything you need for the ultimate reading experience!

Register at your branch by Monday, Oct. 26



COUNTY OF BRANT PUBLIC LIBRARY

FANFEST

14 NOVEMBER 2026

Celebrate



Pokémon: Since 1996

**30 Years
of Pokémon**

A free, all-day mix of drop-in and scheduled activities—
crafts, workshops, and storytime, plus a community
Pokémon GO challenge!

Join us for a nostalgic look at the franchise's journey from
classic games to a global phenomenon.
Catch one activity or stay for the entire day!

**Paris Branch
Saturday, November 14
10:00 am - 4:00 pm**

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Adults

Drop-In Programs

Slow Stitching

A casual club where all skill levels are welcomed.

Paris Branch

Tuesdays | 2:00 - 4:00 pm

English Conversation Circles

A welcoming space to practice English skills, share experiences & learn from one another.

Paris Branch

Tuesdays | 10:30 - 12:00 pm

Tuesday Night Knitters

A friendly club of knitters with all skill levels.

Scotland-Oakland Branch

Tuesdays | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Casual Knit & Chat

Pack your project and meet new friends.

Paris Branch

Wednesdays | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Crafternoons!

Bring a current project or start something new.

Scotland-Oakland Branch

First Thursday, Monthly | 3:00 - 4:30 pm

History Club

A time when curious minds gather, explore and engage in a variety of topics, each presented by knowledgeable speakers.

Burford Branch

Thursdays, Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10
2:00 - 4:00 pm



Mahjong

A game of skill, strategy and calculation. All welcome.

Paris Branch

Thursdays | 1:30 - 4:00 pm

Brantford-Brant-Norfolk Ontario Health Team Information Drop-In

Learn how to access coordinated, connected healthcare, even when your providers are with different organizations.

Paris Branch

Tuesdays, Sept. 29 & Oct. 27 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm

St. George Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 6 | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Burford Branch

Thursday, October 15 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Ontario Works Information Drop-In

Learn how to navigate services & supports in housing, income, health & employment.

Paris Branch

Thursday, Sept. 24 | 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Fiction Writing Club

Designed for all skill levels. Come meet others and unleash your creativity.

Paris Branch

First and Third Thursday, Monthly | 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Brant Writes

Join self-led local writers in the pursuit of refining your writing skills.

Burford Branch

First and Third Thursday, Monthly | 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Explore the World of 3D!

Learn how to use digital software and devices that transform possibilities into projects.

Onondaga Mobile Library

Explore 3D Pens

Thursday, Sept. 17 & Oct. 22 | 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Explore 3D Printing

Thursday, Nov. 19 | 4:00 - 7:00 pm

TECH COACH @ THE LIBRARY

One-on-one assistance with smartphones, computers & devices. Half-hour sessions.

Burford Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 6 | 5:30 - 7:30 pm

St. George Branch

Thursday, Oct. 22 | 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Scotland-Oakland

Thursday, Nov. 5 | 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Paris Branch

Thursday, Nov. 19 | 2:30 - 4:30 pm



Need assistance registering? Call 519.442.2433

Words of
Wisdom



Words of Wisdom is a hands-on, café-styled library learning series led and inspired by older adults with knowledge and expertise in many fields.

Don't miss out, it's free.
Register your spot today!

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**Think, write, tinker, make,
repair and socialize together.**

Tech Café

Tuesday, Oct. 13 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Culture Café

Saturday, Oct. 24 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Literature & Writing Café

Thursday, Nov. 19 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Maker Café

Thursday, Dec. 10 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Adults

Registered Programs

Community Connection & Counselling

Learn practices for your wellbeing with Sexual Assault Centre Brant.

Scotland-Oakland

First Friday, Monthly | 3:00 - 5:00 pm

St. George Branch

Second Friday, Monthly | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Burford Branch

Third Friday, Monthly | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Paris Branch

Fourth Friday, Monthly | 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Walk & Talk Book Club*

Monthly picks, a relaxed pace and lively discussions all add to the fun of this outdoor book club.

Paris Branch

Tuesdays, Sept. 22, Oct 27, Nov. 24 | 2:00 - 3:30 pm

***Registration opens Saturday, Sept. 5 at 10:00 am**

Burford Book Club*

Engaging books & welcoming conversations.

Burford Branch

Fourth Thursday, Monthly | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

***Registration opens Saturday, Sept. 5 at 10:00 am**

English as a Second Language

A welcoming 6-week English as a Second Language course for adult learners to practice and build your English.

Paris Branch

Thursday, Oct. 8 to Nov. 12 | 10:00 - 11:30 am

Healthy Over the Holidays

Learn how to meal-plan, entertain and introduce more nutrient-rich ingredients into festive dishes without sacrificing family traditions.

St. George Branch

Wednesday, Nov. 18 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Wills and Power of Attorney Information

Learn from an experienced legal professional who will cover key considerations, common myths, and misconceptions in will-making. Attendees will receive instructions about preparing for the Zoom session by email.

Online via Zoom

Wednesday, Sept. 23 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

TASTY TREATS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Connect through the universal language of food and discover the traditions, stories, and cultures that make our community unique.

Sample global treats, share experiences, and celebrate the diversity that brings us together.

Mauritius Banana Tarts
Venezuelan Celebration Bread
Lithuanian Pierogis
Thai Mango Rice

Wednesdays, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28
6:30 - 8:00 pm



FILL-A-BAG BOOK SALE

SATURDAY, OCT. 3
10:00 TO 4:00 PM

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Curious about giving back to your community?

Join us for Library Board Boot Camp!

Learn about library governance and discover
how your ideas, experience, and passion
can make a lasting impact as a Board member.

Burford Branch

Wednesday, November 18
7:00 pm

Follow us!



Adults

Registered Programs



New! Understanding AI

Gain a deeper understanding about artificial intelligence (AI) what it is, how it shows up in everyday moments, and how you can feel confident to experiment with it safely.

AI You Can Use Burford Branch

Tuesday, Sept. 15 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

AI in Everyday Life Paris Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 6 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

AL Empowerment Paris Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 13 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Creative Aging

Become familiar with textures and materials that are perfect for personalizing.

Painted Walking Sticks Paris Branch

Tuesday, Sept. 22 | 1:30 - 3:00 pm

Fall Wooden Signs Scotland-Oakland Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 20 | 1:30 - 3:00 pm

Seed Pod Art Burford Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 24 | 1:30 - 3:00 pm

Hobby Hub

Let your enthusiasm and curiosity nudge you to explore something new.

Gems & Gemstones

Learn how to begin a collection, identify & evaluate specimens, and find local clubs. Beginners, enthusiasts & collectors welcome.

Paris Branch

Wednesday, Nov. 25 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Barnyard to Backyard: Alpaca Farm

Led by local alpaca experts, you'll explore care, behaviour, fibre production, and the growing popularity of these gentle animals.

Scotland-Oakland Branch

Wednesday, Nov. 11 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm



MakerWorkshop

Hands-on sessions invite you to experiment, build, and bring your ideas to life using digital equipment.

Custom Stickers

Scotland-Oakland Branch

Tuesday, Oct. 27 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Make-A-Card with Cricut St. George Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 10 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Burford Branch

Tuesday, Dec. 15 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Learn the Large Format Printer Paris Branch

Tuesday, Dec. 1 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

AirDry Clay [2-part series]

Learn & practice sculpting techniques from a local artist and leave with your finished project. No experience needed.

Burford Branch

Wednesdays, Dec. 2 & 9 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm

LEGION HISTORY & POPPY TIE-A-THON

Create. Connect. Remember.
Celebrate Burford Legion's 100th anniversary by learning about its rich history. Lend a hand to sew handmade poppies onto display netting for Remembrance Day and enjoy tea, coffee and a friendly chat with others. All skill levels welcome!

Burford Legion
4 Park Ave, Burford

Wednesday, Sept. 16 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm



CRAFTS & DRAFTS

Bring a friend, grab a drink and complete a fun take-home craft project themed around wine/beer glasses.

Paris Brewing Co.,
31 Mechanic Street, Paris

Wednesday, Nov. 4 | 7:00 - 9:00 pm



AN ENCHANTED WINTER EVENING: THE NUTCRACKER

Step into the magic of the holidays with an enchanting evening inspired by The Nutcracker, featuring Tchaikovsky's music, twinkling décor, festive treats, and themed activity stations with crafts and hands-on experiences.

Burford Branch

Friday, December 4 | 7:00 - 9:00 PM
Teens & Adults



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FALL INTO READING CHALLENGE



Fall Into Reading Challenge

Celebrate Canadian Library Month by reading five hours this October! Complete the challenge for your chance to win a themed prize.

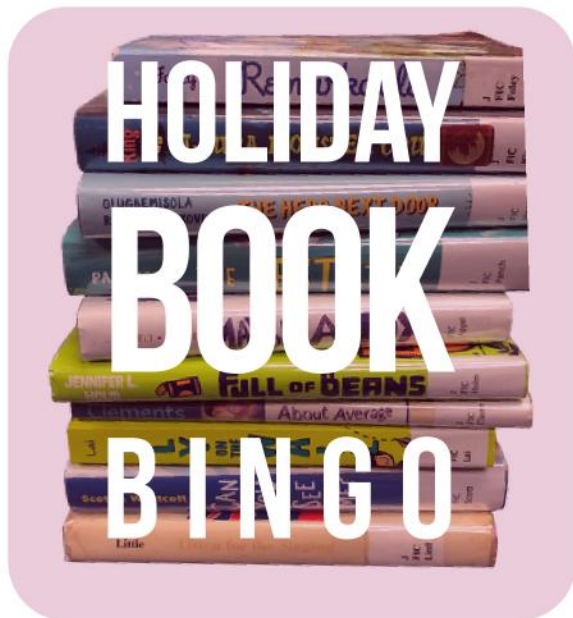
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October 1 - 31

Teens & Adults



Register online at brantlibrary.ca/readingchallenges



Holiday Book Bingo

Get family festive!

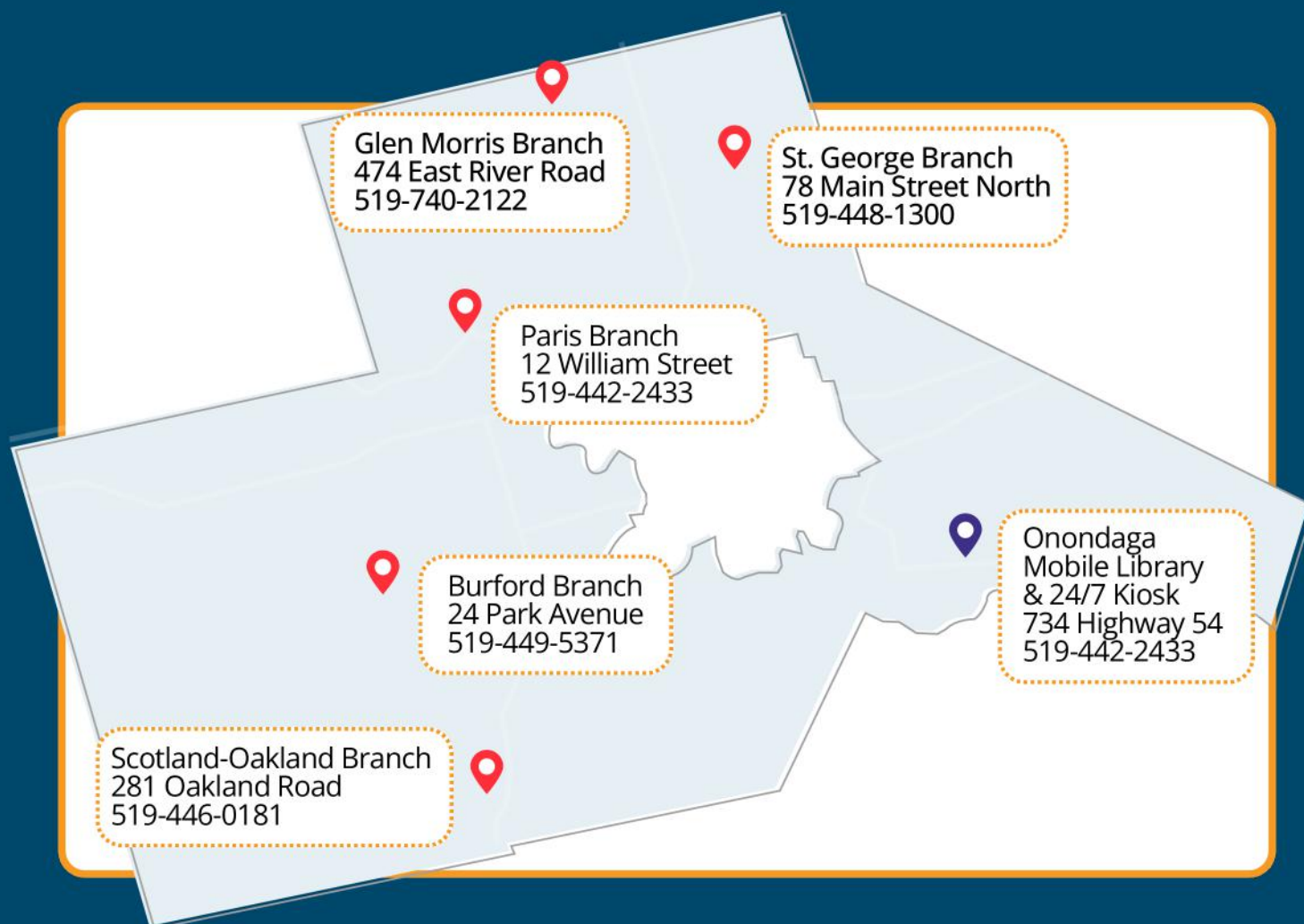
Collect your bingo card, complete activities together, and log your reading for a chance to win fun prizes.

Register Online, All Branches

December 1 - 31

Kids, Tweens & Teens

Find yourself at the Library!



We are a library without borders.
Visit any branch to get your card today!

