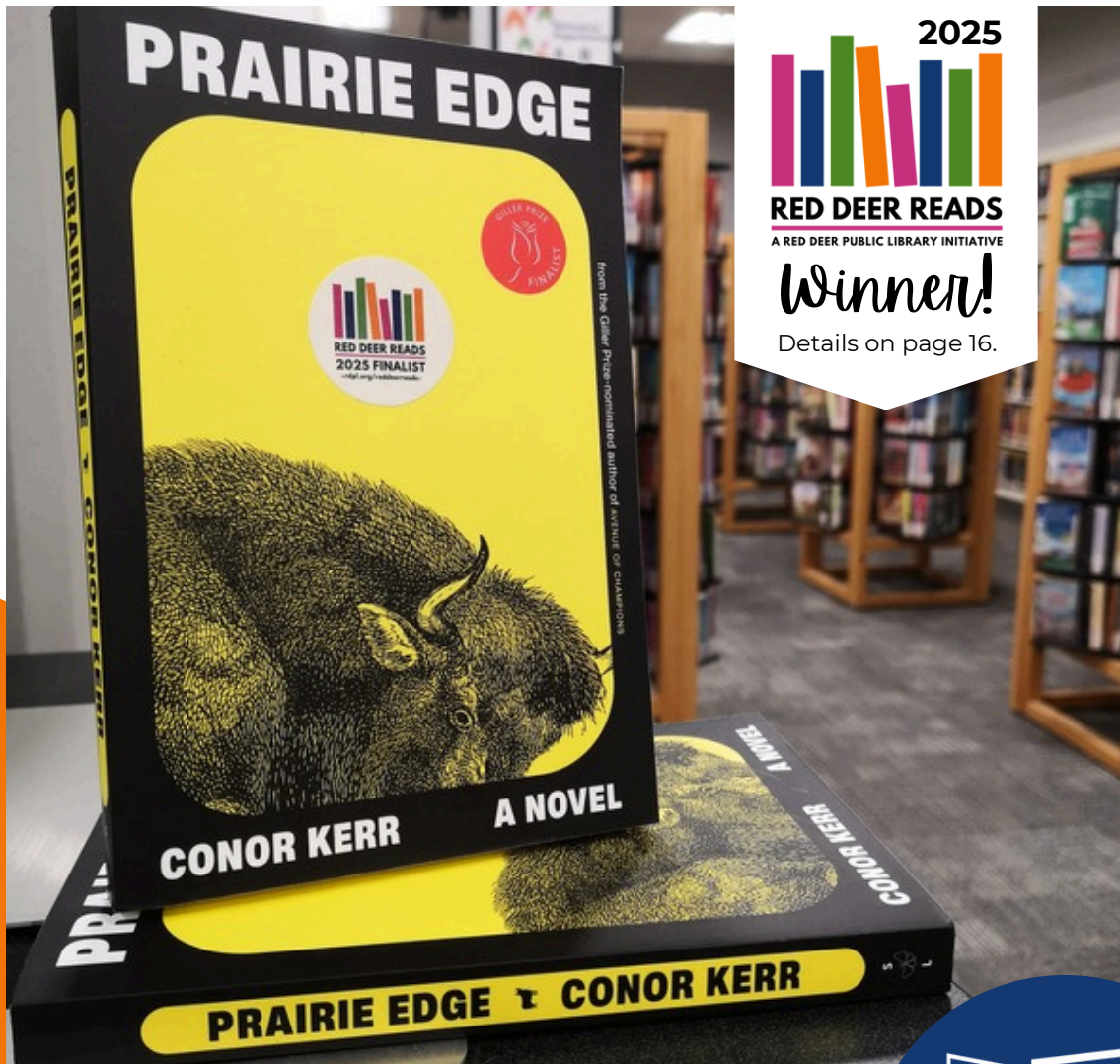


RED DEER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Fall Program Guide



FALL 2025
September - December

The LINK

Your guide to all things RDPL



DINO-ROAR!

Programs featuring dinosaur themes

Calm Your Roar **LIKE A DINOSAUR!**

Let's stomp, stretch, and calm our dinosaur roars at this playful yoga storytime!

**See page 6
for details.**

STEAM at the Library: Family Nights

DINO DIG

Explore dinosaur-themed experiments and activities.

**See page 9
for details.**



JURASSIC JAMBOREE!

Join us for a dino-mite afternoon of dinosaur stories, crafts and activities! Plus hatch your own dino egg!

**See page 10
for details.**

Virtual Tour of the **ROYAL TYRRELL MUSEUM OF PALAEOLOGY**

Experience a virtual tour of the museum with Tyrrell staff and enter a draw to win museum tickets! All ages welcome!

**See page 7
for details.**

Special
October
LIT-LINE
403-342-9100

Phone daily for
Tyrrell Trivia!



LOOK for fossil icons in this LINK to find all the museum anniversary programs!

**Exciting
announcement!!**
See back page for details



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Celebrate Ukrainian Heritage Month

In honor of Alberta Culture Days and Ukrainian Heritage Month, RDPL presents Soul of the Steppe: A Ukrainian Arts Celebration - a series of events highlighting Ukrainian-Canadian artists and traditions. Enjoy programs for all ages plus book displays and scavenger hunts. See page 3 for programs. Cosponsored with:



LIBRARY LOCATIONS

Downtown Branch 4818-49 Street	Timberlands Branch 300 Timothy Drive
Dawe Branch 56 Holt Street	Collicutt Branch 3031-30 Avenue

LIBRARY HOURS

Downtown, Dawe, & Timberlands Branches
Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. | Fri: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Weekends: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. | Holidays: CLOSED

Collicutt Branch

Monday - Friday: 5:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Weekends: 6:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Holidays: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

LIBRARY CLOSURES

September 1 - Labour Day
September 26 - Staff Development Day
October 13 - Thanksgiving Day
November 11 - Remembrance Day
December 25, 26 - Christmas Day and Boxing Day

The Collicutt Branch is open 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. most holidays. Check rdpl.org for details.

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rdpl.org Sign up for our eNewsletter!
rdpl.org/eNewsletter

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Why do you LOVE RDPL?



**Tell us why you love your library
this October and you could win a
cool prize pack!**

Submit your answer in draw boxes available
at Dawe, Downtown or Timberlands
Branches to be entered into the draw.

ALL AGES are welcome to enter.
Draw will be made October 30.

Share your library love!!



Alberta CULTURE DAYS

Ukrainian Heritage Month



From Borscht to Wonders:

Take-Home Kits for Kids

Celebrate Ukrainian culture with kids' take-home kits!

Kits include engaging games, crafts, and activities and will be available at Dawe, Downtown, and Timberlands Branches throughout September.

While supplies last.

AGES
5+

Ukrainian Heritage Fair

Saturday, September 13

Downtown Branch

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Step into a vibrant celebration of Ukrainian culture at our Ukrainian Heritage Fair!

Join us for a lively afternoon filled with traditional crafts, artisanal goods, and delicious treats as we bring together local Ukrainian artisans, bakers, and crafters to showcase their talents.

Demonstrations by Ukrainian artists!

Ukrainian baked goods and treats!

All ages scavenger hunt with prizes!

Interactive, cultural craft stations!



ALL
AGES



The Mitten: A Bilingual Storytime & Puppet Show

Saturday, September 13

Downtown Branch

11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Join us for a magical bilingual storytime and puppet show based on *The Mitten*, a beloved folklore tale cherished in both Ukraine and Canada.

Synopsis: The story is about a group of wild animals who discover a lost mitten in the forest and, as it is winter and very cold, they all try to squeeze inside for warmth. Though space is tight, the mitten welcomes all, offering a heartwarming lesson on kindness, sharing, and community.

AGES
0-4

Registration not required for the above programs.

Alberta Culture Days^{CA}

Discover • Experience • Celebrate



Alberta CULTURE DAYS

Intro to Improvisation with Bull Skit Comedy

FOR
ADULTS



Saturday, September 20
Downtown Branch
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.



Step out of your comfort zone and try something new! Build confidence, learn tips to feel more comfortable in public speaking situations, and more! Join the team at Bull Skit Comedy to learn how to say "Yes, and?" when creating silly situations on a stage. Low stakes, high rewards, and lots of laughter to come!

Cosponsored by Red Deer Arts Council.

Registration required at rdpl.org/events

Map Your Creative Future:

Writing Workshop

FOR
ADULTS



Sunday, September 21
Downtown Branch
11 p.m. - 2 p.m.



Explore artistic ambition at this session for writers. Award-winning, bestselling author Joan Marie Galat will share her journey to publication and guide writers in making a focused plan to move toward achievable writing and publishing goals. Whether you have publishing credits or are just starting out, enjoy this opportunity for creativity and community as you embark on a mission to map your creative future.

www.joangalat.com

Cosponsored by Red Deer Arts Council.

**Registration required
at rdpl.org/events**

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The Athletic

SPORTS NEWS!

In-depth, personalized sports journalism, courtesy of Red Deer Public Library!

The Athletic, a New York Times company, delivers in-depth sports coverage of your favourite teams and leagues. Access includes everything from breaking news and live commentary to long-form features, exclusive interviews, podcasts, and more.

Activate your complimentary access today!

rdpl.org/resources/sports



EARLY LITERACY PROGRAMS

Please note: Children aged 8 and under must be supervised by an adult during programs and while in the library.

Baby Fun

Ages Birth - 18 Months

Join us for songs and rhymes perfect for babies!

MONDAYS

Collicutt Branch

10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Sept. 15 to Dec. 8

(No program Oct. 13)

THURSDAYS

Dawe Branch

11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Sept. 18 to Dec. 4

TUESDAYS

Downtown Branch

11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Sept. 16 to Dec. 9

(No program Nov. 11)

FRIDAYS

Timberlands Branch

11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Sept. 19 to Dec. 12

(No program Sept. 26)

Program ends Dec. 4 but join us for a special Winter Wonderland program Dec. 11 (see below!).

Toddler Fun

Ages 18 Months - 3 years

Stories, rhymes, and songs for toddlers.

Downtown Branch

TUESDAYS

10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Sept. 16 to Dec. 9

Dawe Branch

THURSDAYS

10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Sept. 18 to Dec. 4

Winter Wonderland

Dawe Branch

Thursday, December 11

10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Join us for a special, fun, wintery-themed storytime for ages 0-5!



Book Bundles!

Borrow a stack of staff-selected books!

BABIES

TODDLERS

PRESCHOOLERS

Tired of trying to find great books for your kids? Let us choose them for you! Sign up online, then pick up your pile of books from the holds shelf at the branch you choose! Includes take-home activities! New titles chosen every two weeks.

Register at rdpl.org/bookbundles

Preschool Fun

Ages 3-5

Stories, rhymes, songs, and activities for preschoolers and their caregivers. Build literacy skills, make new friends and have fun with us!

WEDNESDAYS

Downtown Branch

10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Sept. 17 to Dec. 10

Stories & More for Littles

Ages 0-5

Join us for stories, rhymes, and activities for littles of all ages and their parents or caregivers!

THURSDAYS

(starts August 14)

Collicutt Branch

10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

FRIDAYS

(starts Sept. 19)

Timberlands Branch

10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

(No program Sept. 26)

SATURDAYS

(starts Sept. 20)

Downtown Branch

11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Soveniatko: Ukrainian Storytime

Ages 3-6 with parent/caregiver

Dawe Branch

MONDAYS

4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Sept. 15 to Nov. 24 (no program Oct. 13)

Приєднуйтеся до нас на інтерактивний час читання, де Ваші діти поринуть в українські дитячі книги та казки. Для дітей віком від 3 до 6 років та їхніх батьків або опікунів. Програма проводиться українською та англійською мовами.

Join us for this interactive storytime filled with Ukrainian children's books and folktales. This program is delivered in Ukrainian and English.

Registration required!

KIDS' PROGRAMS

Register at rdpl.org/events

STRETCH & STORIES

For ages 5 - 7

Downtown Branch

Select Sundays
1 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Bring your own yoga mat or borrow one of ours!

Using a combination of simple yoga poses and storytelling, children get the chance to move, stretch, and relax in a playful and calming environment.

October 12

Calm Your Roar Like a Dinosaur

Let's stomp, stretch, and calm our dinosaur roars! In this playful yoga storytime, we'll move like dinosaurs, take deep breaths, and learn how to feel calm even when big feelings come up.

November 9

Bear and Bunny's Gentle Yoga Adventure

Join Bear and Bunny as they explore the forest through movement and friendship. This gentle yoga storytime includes stretching, breathing, and cozy animal fun that helps us feel peaceful and strong.

December 7

The Wolf and the Three Little Pigs: A Big, Bad Yoga Tale

Huff, puff, and balance like a pig building a strong house! In this silly twist on a classic story, we'll move, breathe, and discover how even the Big Bad Wolf can learn to slow down and be kind.

NOTE: children must be accompanied by an adult to attend these programs.

Registration
required!

After School Club:

Monday Crafternoons!

Ages 9+

Timberlands Branch

Select Mondays

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Are you interested in learning to craft, making art (or a mess), and showing your beautiful creations to others? Let's create together!

September 15 - Shrinky Dink Keychains

September 29 - Pony Bead Keychains

October 27 - Construction Paper Portraits

November 24 - Medieval Hats and Crowns

December 8 - Jewelry Making (Friendship Bracelets)

Registration
required!

LEGO® at the Library

Ready, set, build!

Grades 5 - 8

Dawe Branch

Select Tuesdays

6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

This program is for builders who enjoy the challenge and precision of LEGO® set builds.

October 7

Star Wars Reads Special Edition - Build small scale versions of Star Wars vehicles and ships.

November 4

Under Construction - Build LEGO® versions of heavy equipment used in building and demolition.

December 2

Creator Adventure - Pick a LEGO® Creator 3-in-1 set and choose your own building adventure!

Registration
required!

SPECIAL FAMILY PROGRAM!

LEGO® at the Library - Building Families
Build LEGO® creations with your whole family! See page 8 for full details.

Sit, Stay, Read with Katja!

Ages 6 - 12

Do you want to read
to a furry friend?

Katja, our library's facility dog, is all ears!
Children who struggle with reading will benefit
and tackle their challenges in the presence of an
accepting, non-judgmental animal companion!

Pick the time that works for you and come one
time, or every week at the same time, to read to
Katja in her reading nook.

Registration
required!

Dawe Branch

Tuesdays

September 30

to December 2

Timberlands Branch

Wednesdays

October 8

to December 3

Time Slots available:

3:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

4:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Youth Literacy Book Bundles!

STAFF SELECTED BOOKS
FOR KIDS IN GRADES 1 TO 12

Are you looking for books to support both a youth's
interests and reading level? Youth Literacy Book
Bundles will provide books geared towards fun
reading, solo reading and buddy reading.

Register at rdpl.org/youth-literacy-book-bundles

Pokémon League

Ages 9 - 12

Dawe Branch

Wednesdays

September 3 - December 17

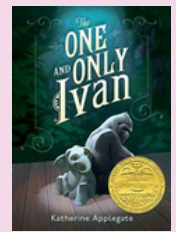
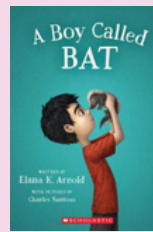
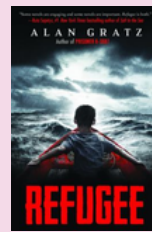
3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Do you want to be the very best, like no one ever
was? Then come out and join other trainers for a
fun afternoon of everything Pokémon!

Our league promotes friendship, communication
skills, and fair play.

Children's Book Club Kits

perfect for teachers and homeschoolers!



Kits contain multiple copies, discussion
questions, author information, and more! Browse
titles online and find them at the Dawe Branch.

Virtual Tour of the

ROYAL TYRRELL MUSEUM OF PALAEONTOLOGY FOR ALL AGES!

Downtown Branch - Saturday, September 27
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Exciting
announcement!
See back page
for details.

Register for this event at rdpl.org/events and gather in the Snell
Auditorium to experience a virtual tour of the museum with Tyrrell
staff! **Enter a draw to win tickets to the Tyrrell Museum** of
Palaeontology in Drumheller. Dinosaur fans of all ages are welcome!



ROYAL TYRRELL
MUSEUM

PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

Fun for the entire family!

Speed Cubing Club

All Ages

Dawe Branch

Sundays

September 14, October 12,

November 9, December 14

1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

How fast can you solve a Rubik's Cube? Have you heard of "Speed Cubing"? Anyone interested in meeting other cube enthusiasts is invited to come for an afternoon of puzzle-solving fun! Test your skills in a non-competitive, casual environment and learn tips from fellow cubers. Don't own a cube? We would be happy to let you use one during the meetup!

Registration
required!

LEGO® at the Library Building Families

All Ages

Dawe Branch

Friday, September 19

2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

This program is for builders of all ages and their caregiver. A variety of sets and free build options make this a great option for families with siblings at different building levels.

Registration
required!

Chess Club

All Ages

Downtown Branch

Mondays

September 15 to December 9

(No program Oct. 13 or Nov. 10)

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Join our chess club! Players of all skill levels are welcome. Cosponsored by the Alberta Chess Association.

Registration
required!

**STAR
WARS
READS
DAY**



October 10 marks one of our favourite days: Star Wars Reads Day, a global celebration of books for Star Wars fans. Join us at these programs and celebrate everything Star Wars!

School's Out:

Star Wars Reads Day

All Ages

Dawe Branch

Friday, October 10

2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Celebrate Star Wars Reads Day with activities, crafts and prizes! Open to Star Wars fans of all ages! Registration not required.

PRIZES!

**DRESS IN
COSTUME!**

ACTIVITIES!

Special Star Wars Reads Edition

LEGO® at the Library

For kids in Grades 5 - 8

Dawe Branch

Tuesday, October 7

6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

This program is especially for Star Wars enthusiasts! Build small scale versions of Star Wars vehicles and ships. Register at rdpl.org/events.

Registration
required!

Thunderbird Learners

All Ages

Dawe Branch

October 4, 11, 18

Timberlands Branch

November 1, 8, 15

Downtown Branch

November 29, December 6, 13

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Join us for these special programs hosted by Red Deer Native Friendship Society and geared to children of all ages and their parents or caregivers. Explore Indigenous stories, games and activities, and enjoy unique crafts.

Registration
required!



Métis Fingerweaving

All Ages

Downtown Branch

Sunday, November 16

1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

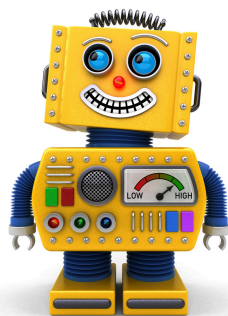
Join us as we celebrate Métis Week with an introduction to the traditional art of fingerweaving. Discover the patterns and cultural significance of this timeless Métis craft. This workshop offers a welcoming space to learn, create and connect for everyone. Please register so we will have craft materials for you.

Registration
required!

**Borrow toys,
board games,
activity backpacks,
puzzles & more!**

Visit the Toy Lending Library at the Downtown Branch. Puzzles, board games and toys only available at the Downtown Branch.

Can't make it Downtown?
Browse rdpl.org and
place a hold for pick up!



STEAM at the Library:

Family Nights!

For ages 5+ and their parents

Downtown Branch

Select Thursdays

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Bring the whole family for fun, creative and sometimes weird science-based activities.

Children younger than 9 must have an adult remain in the program with them.

September 18

I Want My Mummy!

Discover the science of ancient Egypt.

October 23

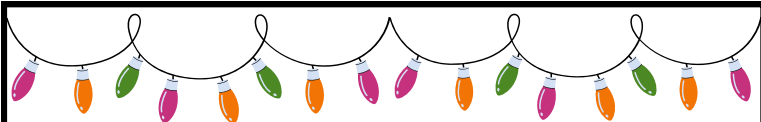
Crime Science

Work together using crime science activities to solve the murder mystery!

November 20

Dino Dig

Explore dinosaur-themed
experiments and activities.



FESTIVE FAMILY FUN at the Downtown Branch!

Sugarplum Storytime

Monday, December 15

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Wear your pjs and join us for holiday-themed puppet shows, stories, activities and crafts!

Ages 5+

Registration required at rdpl.org/events

Happy NOON Year Dance Party!

Wednesday, December 31

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Kids just want to have fun! Put on your party clothes and count down to noon with us! Come celebrate the New Year with dancing, crafts and more at this family event.

Jurassic Jamboree!

All Ages

Downtown Branch

Sunday, October 19

1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Join us for a dino-mite afternoon of dinosaur stories, crafts and activities! Unleash your inner paleontologist as you dig up and hatch your very own dinosaur egg!



Lit Line: 403-342-9100

All ages

Phone the lit line to hear a different message every day.

September - Ukrainian Word of the Day

October - Tyrrell Trivia



November - Quotes for Hindu Heritage Month

December - Name That Christmas Tune

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

All Ages

Downtown Branch

Tuesday, September 30

All Day

Participate in National Day for Truth and Reconciliation by joining us for film screenings throughout the day and/or pick up a take home kit from any of our locations. Details can be found at rdpl.org/Indigenous.



Orange Shirt Day Merch

Starting in August, you can purchase "Every Child Matters" merch at the Downtown Branch during library hours. Items available include T-shirts, hoodies, beanies, pins, patches and more!

Proceeds go towards Red Deer Native Friendship Society initiatives.

Symphony at the Snell

All Ages

Downtown Branch

Saturday, November 8

1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Save the date! Red Deer Symphony Orchestra is coming to the Snell. For free tickets to this concert and program details check www.rdso.ca.

RED DEER
SYMPHONY
ORCHESTRA



Dia de los Muertos

Day of the Dead:
a celebration of Latin
American Culture

Downtown Walking Tour

Downtown Branch
Saturday, November 1
12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

CAILA, Central Alberta Inclusive Latin Association, is sharing a tradition common in Latin America to honor the dead - the creation of altars to remember those who have died. Learn more about this tradition and join a walking tour of altars created at different sites downtown for Dia de los Muertos.

Register at rdpl.org/events for this tour, which start at the main floor of the Downtown Branch.

If registration is full, you can take a self-guided tour by picking up a map to the altars from the Downtown Branch and seeing the altars November 1 through 8. Bring your stamped map to the library to enter a prize draw!

COCO Movie

Downtown Branch
Saturday, November 1
1 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

All ages are welcome to join us for the Pixar film Coco, and celebrate Dia de los Muertos! Coco is a story set in Mexico centered around the traditional holiday. **Registration required at rdpl.org/events.**



TEEN PROGRAMS

Check out these drop-in programs for youth!

Teen Café

Downtown Branch

Select Tuesdays

3:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Drop in after school to hang out.
Snacks and fun to be provided.



September 9 - Board Games

September 23 - Film & Food

October 7 - Friendship Bracelet DIY

October 21 - Sticker DIY

November 4 - Board Games

November 18 - Mini Canvas Collage

December 2 - Button DIY

December 16 - Film & Food

Digital resource

Homework Help

Solaro, Alberta Research Portal, TumbleMath

Start the school year ahead of the game!

Find course lessons, reviews, and practice tests for Grades 3 through 12 based on the Alberta curriculum.

Find out more



Wanna Jam?

If you want to be a rock star, check out the Immerse Yourself in Music: Youth Session program on page 13 for a free music lesson!



Queer Art Club

Ages 12+

Dawe Branch

Thursdays: September 4,
October 2, November 6, December 4
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.



Work on your own project or just chill with a colouring book. Share your passion, chat with fellow artists or just come for the tea! Hosted by the Queer Neighbour's Society of Red Deer (QNSRD).

QNSRD Youth Group

Ages 13 - 20

Downtown Branch

Every Wednesday

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



Join QNSRD's weekly Youth Group for activities, games and community geared to youth aged 13 to 20. Keep up to date! Follow QNSRD on Instagram, Facebook and Bluesky.

Rainbow DnD

Ages 12+

Dawe Branch

Saturdays: September 27, October 25
November 29, December 27
12 p.m. - 3 p.m.



Is normal DnD not queer enough for you? Why not try Rainbow DnD! Our current campaign is designed to welcome any number at any time.

Any book
BOOK CLUB

TEEN EDITION!

Downtown Branch
Saturdays
September 13, October 11,
November 8, December 13
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Come talk about books IRL with library staff and fellow teens to get recommendations and share favourite reads. Registration encouraged but not required. New members are always welcome!

ADULT PROGRAMS

For full details, visit rdpl.org/events

Sip n' Stitch

For Adults

Dawe Branch

Thursdays: September 18, October 16,
November 20, December 18
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Join this casual gathering for stitchers of all kinds to socialize and work on projects.

Cosponsored by Blissful Yarn Creations.



Cozy Evenings

Затишні Вечори

For Adults

Dawe Branch

Thursdays: September 18, October 16,
November 20, December 18
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Ukrainian seniors are welcome to join us, connect with others, and enjoy warm conversations together over tea. Тепла зустріч для українських літніх людей, де можна поспілкуватися та насолодитися приємною атмосферою за чашкою чаю.

Roots and Branches:

Genealogy at the Library

For Adults

Timberlands Branch

Saturdays: September 27, October 25,
November 29, December 27
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Join RDAGS each month for a thirty minute deep dive into genealogy tools, tips, and techniques followed by hands-on help with your own research. Whether you're just starting or experienced, we're here to help you find the next leaf.

Red Deer Branch
ALBERTA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

First Thursday in the Snell

For Adults

Downtown Branch

Snell Auditorium
First Thursday of each month
12:15 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Join us for live music! Bring your lunch and enjoy free coffee or tea courtesy of The Library Café.

September 4

The Reedidulous Trio with Special Guest
Dale Wheeler

October 2

Woodwind Quartet from the Windwood Festival

November 6

The award winning Tango ensemble Payadora

Special Concert in the Snell!

November 13

Classical Bansuri Flute music with the
Chockalingam Flute Trio.

December 4

Red Deer's own Downtown Jazz

Registration
required!

Swing in Rhythm: Open Practice

For Adults

Downtown Branch

Snell Auditorium

Mondays: September 22,
November 10, December 8
6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

An open practice space for Lindy Hop dancers of all levels to connect in a relaxed environment. Participants can social dance, work on specific moves, or learn something new.

Enjoy the joy of dance with fellow enthusiasts!

Registration not needed.

Cosponsored by Red Aces Dance Club.



RED ACES

Paging All Writers

Downtown Branch

Wednesdays

September 24, October 29, November 26

6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

A casual meetup for writers in Red Deer and Central Alberta to socialize and talk about their writing. Registration is encouraged but not required. *See Creative Writing Crash Course on Page 17 for more writing programs.*



Immerse Yourself in Music:

Adult Session

Downtown Branch

Snell Auditorium

Select Fridays

3 p.m. - 4 p.m.



Registration
required!

Register for the following workshops, part of an exciting new music education series with Red Deer Blues Society. Learn basic techniques and practice tips from professional musicians. No instrument or musical skill required.

September 19: Bass Guitar with Sue Dahlseide

November 7: Lead Guitar with Kurt Hanson

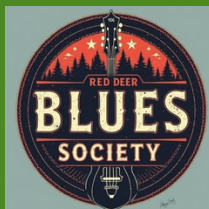
Immerse Yourself in Music:

Youth Session

Downtown Branch

Snell Auditorium

1 p.m. - 2 p.m.



Are you 13 to 18 years old? You can learn the basics of bass and lead guitar in this music immersion session for youth.

Register to reserve your spot at rdpl.org/events

September 19: Bass Guitar with Sue Dahlseide

November 7: Lead Guitar with Lead Guitarist Kurt Hanson

Adult Storytime at Red Hart Brewing

For Adults

Red Hart Brewing

488 McCoy Drive

6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.



Tuesday, October 14 OR

Thursday, October 16

Choose Your Own Adventure!

Will it be Story 1 or Story 2?

The audience votes and majority wins!

Tuesday, December 2 OR

Thursday, December 4

Pass the Turkey, Please!

It's time for the holiday edition of Adult Storytime. Settle in for some fun stories celebrating (or skewering) the festive season.

Beverages available for purchase.

For ages 18+ only. Language advisory.

Registration required at rdpl.org/events

Reader's Theatre

Timberlands Branch

Thursdays

September 18, October 16, November 20

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

We welcome new members in Red Deer and area to join us for fun and camaraderie while reading and performing scripts, without having to memorize lines or attend frequent rehearsals. No fees and no previous theatre experience necessary. Contact Lorna at deschners@shaw.ca or 403-347-1066 for more information.



FALL Book Bundles for Adults!

Staff-selected books to borrow (and fun surprises to keep)!

Add some seasonal joy (or horror) to your reading routine! Fill out the form at rdpl.org/adult-book-bundles (or scan the QR code) to receive a book bundle in the genre of your choice, which includes 4 library books plus other bookish goodies handpicked just for YOU by RDPL staff! Quantities are limited, so don't wait!



SCAN
HERE!

Register for bundles starting November 17 at 10 a.m.

REEL STORIES

Join us for FREE BIG SCREEN MOVIES
at the Downtown Branch.

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



TUESDAYS

OCT. 7



OCT. 21



NOV. 4



NOV. 18



DEC. 2



DEC. 16



THURSDAYS

OCT. 9



OCT. 23



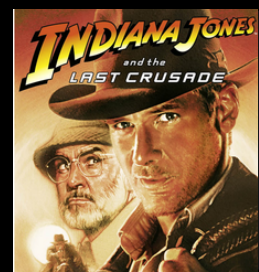
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NOV. 20



DEC. 4



DEC. 18



Movies shown are appropriate for adults.
Titles subject to change without notice.

VIEWER DISCRETION ADVISED

Puzzles, Puzzles Puzzles!

For Adults

Downtown Branch

Select Thursdays

6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

September 25 - Register with three friends for a team puzzle competition.

October 30 - Meet someone new! Register and be put on a team for a team puzzle competition.

November 27 - Register as a team or register and we will put you on a team for this scramble competition. You start building one puzzle and then the timer rings and you move on to complete part of a different puzzle. You keep moving through the puzzles in the room 'til one of the puzzles is done.

Registration
required!

Senior's Information Fair

Collicutt Centre Branch

Thursday, October 2

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Come see us at the Collicutt Centre as we share the programs and services the library has for you and check out the new Collicutt Branch of Red Deer Public Library. This branch is primarily self-serve, and is open during all Collicutt Centre hours.

Remembering

HOLODOMOR

the Famine in the Ukraine 1932 -1933

Downtown Branch

Saturday, November 22

1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

To mark Ukrainian Famine and Genocide Memorial Day, please attend this lecture by Valentina Kuryliw, Director of Education Holodomor Research and Education.

Valentine has a personal tie to the Holodomor as both her parents were survivors. She will share historical information about the Holodomor and it's genocidal nature, how it occurred, and how it connects to Russia's current war on Ukraine. This will be a virtual lecture with the chance for questions following the presentation.

Register at rdpl.org/events

Travel Memories

Downtown Branch

Snell Auditorium

First Wednesday of each month

2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

See the world as featured guest speakers share presentations on their travel adventures!

October 1 - Bob Patterson, Camino Portugal

November 5 - Erin Sikstrom, Belize

December 3 - Jessica Sundsten, Prague, Budapest, Vienna Christmas Markets

Let's Speak Cree!

Nehiyawe tan

For Adults

Downtown Branch

Tuesdays: September 16 - December 16

(no program September 23 and November 11)

NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

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

Thursdays: September 18 - December 18

(no program September 25)

NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Timberlands Branch

Wednesdays: September 17 - December 17

(no program September 24)

SOME EXPERIENCE SPEAKING CREE REQUIRED

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

Join RDPL and our special guest, Elder Linda Ophus, for this program that revitalizes Indigenous language and culture. Open to all who are interested in learning more about Cree language and culture.

Registration
required!

Red Deer Players Presents: Breaking Cover

Downtown Branch

Sunday, September 28

12 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

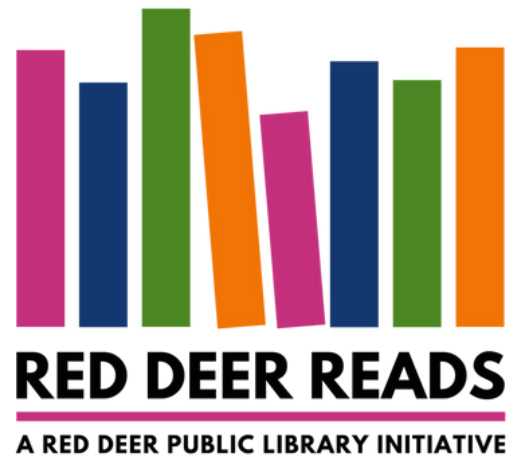
Everyone's A Critic! by Grant Tilly

New Play Reading

A failed mystery novelist finds himself embroiled in a murder investigation as a killer follows the plot lines of his unpublished novels. Free admission. Talk-back with playwright to follow. Details on our Instagram: @RedDeerPlayers

RED DEER PLAYERS SOCIETY
**Breaking
Cover**
NEW PLAY
DEVELOPMENT SERIES

AGES
16+



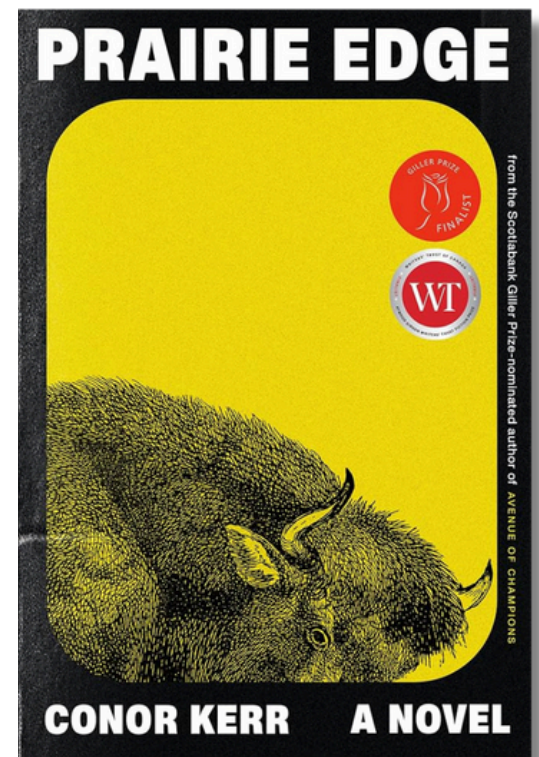
Meet the 2025 Red Deer Reads winning author!



DOWNTOWN BRANCH
4 P.M. - 6 P.M.

Celebrate Canadian Library Month!
Join us in welcoming the winning author
of Red Deer Reads 2025, Conor Kerr!

Conor will discuss his
winning title, ***Prairie Edge***.



Register at rdpl.org/events

Empower Me: an Energy Conservation Workshop

Downtown Branch

Snell Auditorium

Saturday, October 4

1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Registration
required!



Register for this workshop as Empower Me experts join us on Zoom. Learn how your home uses energy and what you can do to reduce your energy bills, improve the efficiency of your home, read your utility bills and what federal and provincial rebates, grants, and support programs can help make home upgrades a more affordable choice.



Get informed with online newspapers and magazines from around the world, in the language in which they are published!

Access in-library or at home!

rdpl.org/resources-types/eNews

Empower Me: an Energy Conservation Workshop (English and Ukrainian)

Downtown Branch

Snell Auditorium

Wednesday, October 8

6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Registration
required!



Зареєструйтеся на семінар, під час якого експерти Empower Me приєднаються до нас у Zoom. Ви дізнаєтесь, як ваш дім споживає енергію та що ви можете зробити, щоб зменшити рахунки за комунальні послуги, підвищити енергоефективність оселі, навчитися читати свої рахунки за електроенергію, а також отримаєте інформацію про федеральні та провінційні знижки, гранти й програми підтримки, які допоможуть зробити модернізацію житла більш доступною. Сесія проходитиме англійською та українською мовами.

CREATIVE WRITING CRASH COURSE

at the Downtown Branch

AGES
16+

Submitting and Publishing

Wednesday, September 3

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

How do I get my writing published?

In this penultimate session of the Creative Writing Crash Course, Jessica Key – Managing Editor of subTerrain Magazine (one of Canada's premier literary publications) and Publishing Assistant for Anvil Press, will demystify the submission and publication process followed by a Q & A portion. *You do not have to have taken the previous workshops to participate in this event!*

Register at rdpl.org/events

Next Steps

Wednesday, September 10

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

So, what now?

In this abbreviated final session of the Creative Writing Crash Course, reflect on your progress, have final questions answered, and look ahead to the Critique Meet-Up. This monthly session is where writers connect, snack, and workshop stories in a fun and constructive environment.

Register at rdpl.org/events

Critique Meet-Up

Wednesday, October 1

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

Do you write fiction, poetry, or non-fiction, but don't know where to get thoughtful and specific feedback from other writers? Look no further than the Critique Meet-Up: a workshop for writers of all genres and experience levels. Get helpful suggestions, learn fundamentals of workshopping, connect with fellow writers, and take your writing to the next level.

Register at rdpl.org/events

HEALTH & WELLNESS

For full details, visit rdpl.org/events

Red Deer Cancer Connect

Dawe Branch

Day Sessions:

Held the first Tuesday each month
September 2, October 7,
November 4, December 2
12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Evening Sessions:

Held the third Tuesday of each month
September 16, October 21,
November 18, December 16
5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Cancer Connect is an informal gathering over coffee, tea, and snacks which is open to any adult participants living with cancer, those diagnosed, and their caregivers and supporters. These sessions, facilitated by a Wellspring Alberta leader, offer a safe space to connect with others and learn support strategies.

Register online:

wel.gametime.net/cne/public/list
or phone 1-866-682-3135.

To find out more visit: wellspringalberta.ca



Tweed Ride and Tea

Fancy Women Bike Ride

Sunday, September 14

12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

**Start at Collicutt Centre
For Adults**

Put on your best tweed and join us for a charming ride to Timberlands Branch, where a perfectly English afternoon tea awaits. Vintage style, good company, and a leisurely cycle makers for a perfect fall outing. Don't miss the prize draw for a local bike shop gift card, made possible by ParticipACTION grant funding!



May We Suggest...?

Receive a personalized reading list with hand-picked recommendations based on your preferences! Available for readers of all ages.

- 1 Go to www.rdpl.org
- 2 Click on 'Services'
- 3 Click on May We Suggest...
- 4 Fill out the form!

Staff will contact you when your list is ready. Questions?
Email programs@rdpl.org or phone 403-346-4576.

Light Reading

**Downtown Branch
Level 2**

November 1 to March 31

Brighten your day by reading beside a therapy light, a treatment for SAD, (Seasonal Affective Disorder).



Part of the Story



RDPL's Official Podcast

Going on a road trip this FALL? It's the perfect time to catch up on past episodes of *Part of the Story*, RDPL's Official Podcast! Tune in as we chat about books, movies, music, pop culture, libraries, Red Deer happenings, and more. Find it wherever you stream your podcasts!



Celebrate Hindu Heritage Month

Experience Hindu culture with free, unique programs about Hindu traditions and arts throughout November.

All Ages

Hindu Heritage Month Celebration

Downtown Branch
Saturday, November 15
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Join the Hindu Cultural Society of Central Alberta, Hindu Heritage Society and COHNA at this program of folk dances, songs, and small skits.

Ages 0-5

Stories & More for Littles

Downtown Branch
Saturday, November 15
11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Enjoy this cultural storytime celebrating Hindu Heritage.
Children must be with an adult to attend.

Lit Line

November 1 - 30. Celebrate Hindu Heritage month with spiritual quotes from the rich philosophical heritage of Hinduism and its philosophers, saints, mystics and poets.

403-342-9100

All Ages

Special Concert in the Snell

Downtown Branch
Thursday, November 13
12:15 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Join us for classical Bansuri Flute Music performed by the Chockalingam Flute Trio.



ADULT LITERACY

For more information, visit rdpl.org/adult-literacy

Conversation Café

Dawe Branch

Wednesdays

September 24 - October 29

6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Are you looking for opportunities for authentic conversation with Canadians? Here's your chance! Please join us for our program, "Conversation Café", where you will be matched with a Canadian for meaningful conversation and vocabulary practice.

Our skilled facilitator will have many resources and topics available to inspire conversations, and to help build vocabulary.

We look forward to having you join for a cup of tea and great conversation.

You must be at CLB Level 5 to participate.

Phone 403-346-2533 or email adultlit@rdpl.org to register.

Introduction to Computers

Dawe Branch

Mondays and Thursdays

September 15 - October 9

9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

This 8-session learning opportunity will teach you computer basics, Internet safety, ways to search for information, and how to format documents. Cost is \$30 per person (this fee could be waived or reduced in cases of financial need). Call 403-346-2533 or email adultlit@rdpl.org to register

About the Adult Literacy Program

Red Deer Public Library's Adult Literacy Program matches adult learners with volunteer tutors who meet once a week at the library or online for two hours. The program provides support to Literacy and Foundational Learners. Basic skills may include literacy, numeracy, basic digital skills, English Language Learning, and skills for learning.

Volunteers Needed!

We offer training and ongoing support to all of our tutors, and we can assure you that volunteering with the Adult Literacy program will be a unique and rewarding experience! Please consider volunteering with this life-changing, award-winning, program.



To learn more about becoming a volunteer, contact:



Alla, Jenni, Lois, or Michelle: 403-346-2533



adultlit@rdpl.org



Dawe Branch (56 Holt Street)

Funding provided by:





fall BOOK SALE

Friends Members Only Sale

**Wednesday,
October 22**

4 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Memberships available at
the door. \$10 for individual
or \$20 for family.

See rdpl.org for details.

Public Sale Day 3

**Saturday,
October 25**

10 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Public Sale Day 1

**Thursday,
October 23**

10 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Public Sale Day 4

**Sunday,
October 26**

10 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Public Sale Day 2

**Friday,
October 24**

10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

CASH ONLY PLEASE.
Bags available to buy
at the main desk or
bring your own.

**Book donations accepted at the Downtown Branch
during regular business hours.**

LEGAL & FINANCIAL

Register at rdpl.org/events if required.

CRA and Service Canada Support Clinic

Downtown Branch - Level 2

Wednesday, October 22

1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Need help from Service Canada or CRA?
Come to the Support Clinic for help.

Canada Revenue Agency: Do you have a low to modest income and a simple tax return, and need help with the following?*

- Getting tax slips so you can file your tax return
- Printing your notice of assessment
- Help updating your address or phone number
- Help understanding any CRA letter received

*Please note: you will need to know your SIN number and have valid photo identification with you in order for CRA to access the account.

Service Canada:

Service Canada can assist you with the following:

- Canadian Dental Care Plan
- My Service Canada Account
- Pensions – CPP, OAS, GIS
- Social Insurance Number
- Employment Insurance
- Canada Disability Benefit

Fraud and Scam Prevention Session

Downtown Branch - Level 2

Wednesday, September 24

12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Join the Central Alberta Crime Prevention Centre (CACPC) for a presentation about Fraud and Scam Awareness. The presentation and handouts will help citizens better understand the types of fraud and scams to be aware of.

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CRIME PREVENTION CENTRE



Legal Information Seminars

Dawe Branch

Select Thursdays

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

October 30 - Family Law

Understand legal rights and obligations, matrimonial property division, child/spousal support, custody/access, court procedures & more.

November 27 - Wills, Power of Attorney, and Personal Directives

Learn about Wills, Personal Directives and Powers of Attorney. Register at rdpl.org/events

Ask a Lawyer

Dawe Branch

Mondays: September 15, October 20,
November 17, December 8

5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Volunteer lawyers will provide up to half an hour of free legal advice in family, civil, and criminal law. First-come, first-served is not guaranteed as lawyers do not practice in all areas of law.

Ask A Lawyer

Criminal Law Sessions

Downtown Branch

Mondays: September 8, October 6,
November 3, December 1

5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Fill out an intake form and meet with a criminal lawyer to receive brief legal advice at no charge. Walk-in only, first come, first served. Bring your "Undertaking" or "Disclosure" if you have it.

Do you have questions about the above programs?
Phone the Community Legal Clinic at 403-314-9129.



BOOK CLUBS

Unique book clubs for all types of readers!

Past Pages Book Club

Dawe Branch

Tuesdays

2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Join library staff to discuss historical fiction. This book club focuses on books written about times short and long passed.

September 2 - *On Isabella Street*

by Genevieve Graham

October 7 - *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon

November 4 - *Last Twilight in Paris* by Pam Jenoff

December 2 - *The Jackal's Mistress*

by Chris Bohjalian

Books & Bannock Book Club

Downtown Branch - Level 2

Select Tuesdays

6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Discuss books by Indigenous authors and explore the history, culture and experiences of Indigenous and Two Spirit peoples. Selections available in multiple formats.

September 16 - *The Marrow Thieves*

by Cherie Dimaline

October 21 - *Avenue of Champions* by Conor Kerr

November 18 - *Elatsoe* by Darcie Little Badger

December 16 - *Split Tooth* by Tanya Tagaq

Registration required at rdpl.org/events



Happy Ever After Book Club

Virtual via Google Meet

Mondays

7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Join us to discuss selected romance titles.

September 29 - *Consider Me* by Becka Mack

October 27 - *Eternal Rider* by Larissa Ione

November 24 - *Silver Silence* by Nalini Singh

December 15 - Choose your own holiday romance

Join the Facebook group, or email cbrown@rdpl.org for the meeting link.

New members are always welcome!

Any Book Book Club

Timberlands Branch

Thursdays

September 11, October 9,

November 13, December 11

630 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Love to read? Want to share your latest great read or find great recommendations? This book club is for you! New members are always welcome!

DID YOU KNOW?

RDPL has a selection of Book Club Kits? Borrow a kit and create your own book club! Each kit comes with 10 copies of the same title, discussion questions, and tips to host a successful club! Go to rdpl.org and search 'book club kits' for titles.

ENTER
TO WIN

Tickets to Louise Penny!

Enter the Draw to win two tickets for this exclusive event at Calgary's **Werklund Centre, October 30** as acclaimed author Louise Penny shares insights into her life and work, including the much-anticipated twentieth mystery in the Inspector Gamache series *The Black Wolf*.

Enter at rdpl.org/books for your chance to win. Good Luck!

On the Same Page Book Club

Downtown Branch

Select Wednesdays

6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

You're among friends! Whether you've read the books or not, come join us for a fun evening discussing these book club picks voted as this season's favourites.

September 17 - *Jennie's Boy: A Newfoundland Childhood* by Wayne Johnston

October 15 - *The Mercies* by Kiran Millwood Hargrave

November 19

Cattail Lane by Fran Kimmel

Author Fran Kimmel will be joining us to talk about her book, *Cattail Lane*.

★ AUTHOR VISIT! ★

December 17 - *The Day the World Came to Town: 9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland* by Jim DeFede

Reader Rendezvous: a Discord Book Club

Join Claire (@whatcsees) to buddy read selected titles and chat all things books on our Discord!



Join the Discord!

September - *Blind Date* by Bella Jewel

October - *Red Dragon* by Thomas Harris

November - *Trespasses* by Louise Kennedy

December - *Everyone This Christmas Has a Secret* by Benjamin Stevenson

Last Chapter Book Club

Timberlands Branch

Select Tuesdays

6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Join library staff to read from a variety of selections that discuss dying as an essential part of life. You are welcome to participate even if you haven't read up on death and dying.

September 9 - *In My Time of Dying* by Sebastian Junger

October 14 - *A Grandmother Begins the Story* by Michelle Porter

November 4 - *Poor Deer* by Claire Oshetsky

December 9 - *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig

Read or Reread Book Club:

Chief Inspector Gamache Series

Downtown Branch - Snell Auditorium

Select Mondays

6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

We meet once a month to discuss two titles in the series and share time in Three Pines. Join us for any meeting even if you haven't read the two titles we're discussing but keep in mind there will be spoilers! **Register at rdpl.org/events**

September 29

Glass Houses

Kingdom of the Blind

October 27

A Better Man

All the Devils Are Here

November 24

The Madness of Crowds

A World of Curiosities

December 29

The Grey Wolf

The Black Wolf

Registration
required!

Read or Reread Book Club:

Jane Austen

Timberlands Branch

Select Wednesdays

7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Step into – or back into – the world of Jane Austen to celebrate the 250th anniversary of her birth in December 2025! Join us every second month throughout the year for a discussion of each of her finished works.

September 24 - *Sense & Sensibility*

November 26 - *Persuasion*

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Jane Austen Birthday Celebration

Downtown Branch

Tuesday, December 16

10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

In celebration of Jane Austen's 250th birthday join us for a day of Austen adaptations!

Enjoy a screening of *Pride and Prejudice* (2005), starting at 10 a.m. and stay for *Sense and Sensibility* (1995), starting at 1 p.m.



16+

For the Love of Book Clubs

by CLAIRE BROWN

I think if you are a reader, one of your favourite things then becomes sharing that love of reading. In my experience, some of this is forced on others around you as you cannot help but extoll the virtues of a favourite read, or rant about one that disappointed for whatever (even petty) reason. It's fun to gush about a five star read, or lament a disappointment to readers around you that you *know* just understand.

Here at the library I host a book club... or two... or three. And so, I have deemed myself an amateur expert (I am aware of the oxymoron) and would like to share my love of RDPL's book clubs.

Any Book Book Club

Let's start with one of mine, though really it belongs to the group that has been cultivating community for years. This club is exactly as described. Have you read ANY book? Come tell us all about it at the club. I like to think I foster a fun, chatty, recommendation-filled Thursday evening for us every month. We know which books aren't "Sara Books" (IYKYK), who's reading dinosaur erotica, who's looking for the next well-written WWII drama, and who "hate reads" a series because they just cannot help themselves, and it is the absolute most fun to be had.

Any Book Book Club: Teen Edition

Have a teen in your life OR are you yourself a teen and reading this article?! This is literally the same book club you see above, but with only one adult (the host) which is sometimes Simon (aka the man who knows everything about animé, Pokémon, and horror), or me (because of course me).

Books & Bannock Book Club

This book club is a unique partnership between the library and the amazing folks at the Red Deer Native Friendship Society. The group dives into books written by Indigenous and Two Spirit authors. Though this book club is fairly new on our scene, it already has an amazing group of engaged readers, and has featured opportunities to actually hear from the authors themselves!

Past Pages Book Club

Are you looking for an afternoon book club (with access to excellent parking at the Dawe Branch)? Say, "Hello!" to Past Pages, which started as a primarily historical fiction club, but is expanding its original mission as its membership grows, and YOU could be a part of it! EXCITING, right?!

Happy Ever After Book Club

Hi, me again! Yes, I love romance. This is an online hosted book club with some of my favourite romance readers around. Whether joining from Sylvan Lake, Red Deer, Winnipeg, or as far away as Kentucky, there's nothing but laughter, cringe, jokes, and fun to be had discussing both old and new Romance titles.

Last Chapter Book Club

I know what you're thinking... "Claire, how will you give a book club about death and dying a cheeky little blurb?" I'm glad you asked. And the answer is I probably won't. One of my favourite coworkers in all the library land (and we know they are all my favourites) hosts this club that features both fiction and non-fiction selections that deal with death and dying. It is the universal human experience, and we want to talk about it. Mostly, we want to talk about it with you...

On the Same Page Book Club

This is the library's longest running book club. (We are talking in decades not years). Titles for this special book club are chosen at their year end meeting in June. Club members get to pitch their picks, and host their titles should they be chosen. Thoughtful discussion is always on this book club's menu and members have access to Kobo devices to read the year's picks. New members can join all year, and our lovely host Val would love to welcome you!

Read or Reread Book Club(s)

A coworker and I had an idea, a *brilliant* idea. What if we read or REREAD books with longtime fans and those just discovering certain classics for the first time? (See what I said about brilliant??). Presently, this book club meets the last Monday of each month should you be down for a read OR a rereading of Louise Penny's Chief Inspector Gamache series, and the last Wednesday of every second month should Jane Austen's classics be more your speed.

Reader Rendezvous

And here we are at my final hosting position. (I know, I know.) This club is completely online and can be accessed at your leisure! We have monthly reads with chapter breakdowns, channels for bookish memes, spoilers, Little Free Libraries, book hauls, and MORE. Honestly, such a fun book community that requires no special meetup time. Just hop on the Discord server and someone is there to greet you!

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Learn more about RDPL's Book Clubs or find Book Club Kits that you can borrow with your library card to start your own book club at rdpl.org/books/!



Indigenous Winter Solstice Storytime

**Saturday,
December 20**
12 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Downtown
Branch

All ages welcome!

**Immerse yourself in the
enchancing tales of the
Indigenous Winter Solstice.**

Gather around as we share stories that honor the deep connection between Indigenous communities and the changing seasons, fostering an appreciation for nature and heritage. Meet our special guest, Theresa "Corky" Larsen-Jonasson. Corky will introduce us to her traditions of oral winter storytelling.

Theresa "Corky" Larsen-Jonasson is a proud Cree/Danish Métis Elder with roots in Red Deer and Maskwacis First Nations. She lives her life according to the traditional Indigenous teachings which saved her life.

These teachings flow from her parents, her 93-year-old Kokom, Christine Joseph of Cochrane, aunties, uncles, as well as from the Goodstrikers, Williams, and John Crier families, all of whom she loves immensely.

Registration not required.



ROYAL TYRRELL
MUSEUM

Curated FOSSIL EXHIBIT **in the Library!**

Royal Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology is partnering with ten libraries in Alberta to display curated exhibits of fossils throughout Alberta.

Red Deer's exhibit will be installed by the Museum in the Downtown Branch in September and will remain in situ to September 2026.

**Come to the reveal
and see what fossils
from the Red Deer
area were shared
with us!**

**Downtown Branch
Saturday
September 27
2:30 p.m.**

EVERYONE WELCOME!
Registration not required.