NFPL GUIDE

December 2026

Registration opens on **Monday, November 23rd**



For more info, our most up-to-date calendar, or to register, visit nflibrary.ca

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Niagara Falls Public Library

Holiday Programs at the Library in December

Kids Holiday Programs

HOLIDAY PARTY
Join us for a fun, interactive holiday celebration for you and your little one.

CHIP | Monday Dec 7 | 12:30pm (Ages 0-3)

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PAPER CHAIN GARLAND (R)
Join us to make a fun decorative garland for the holiday season! **Ages 8+**

VIC | Wednesday Dec 9 | 4pm

PAINTED PENGUIN (R)
Create your own wintery penguin painting with a cozy scarf. All materials provided. **Ages 6+**

VIC | Saturday Dec 12 | 11:30am

ORNAMENT FUN
Join us for a festive holiday crafting program where kids can create their own ornaments! Using materials like paint, ribbons, pom-poms and more. **All ages**

COM | Wednesday Dec 16 | 4pm

HOLIDAY CONCERT
Please join us in welcoming Canadian singer-songwriter, and children's author Tia McGraff and singer-songwriter Tommy Parham as they perform a Holiday Concert and sing-along. **All ages**

VIC | Sunday Dec 20 | 11:30am

COUNTDOWN TO NOON-YEARS (R)
Decorate your party hat and get your dancing shoes on. Don't miss our countdown to noon to celebrate the New Year. **All ages**

VIC | Thursday Dec 31 | 11:30am

Adult Holiday Programs

HOLIDAY RAG WREATH (R)
Get crafty this holiday season by creating a charming rag wreath decor using different fabrics and ribbons.

VIC | Thursday Dec 10 | 6:30pm

EMBROIDERED CHRISTMAS TREE CARDS (R)
Join us to create hand embroidered cards to give out to your loved ones this holiday season.

VIC | Thursday Dec 3 | 6:30pm

WINTER SCENE ACRYLIC PAINTING (R)
Paint a winter scene using acrylic paint on canvas in this beginner friendly program. All materials provided.

VIC | Monday Dec 7 | 2pm

LIBRARY HOLIDAY HOURS

DEC 24	COMMUNITY CENTRE CLOSED, OTHER LOCATIONS OPEN 9AM - 1PM
DEC 25	ALL LOCATIONS CLOSED
DEC 26	ALL LOCATIONS CLOSED
DEC 28	ALL LOCATIONS CLOSED
DEC 31	ALL LOCATIONS OPEN - 9AM - 1PM
JAN 1	ALL LOCATIONS CLOSED

EARLYON HOLIDAY HOURS

DEC 24 -28	ALL LOCATIONS CLOSED
DEC 29 & 30	REGULAR PROGRAM HOURS
DEC 31 - JAN 3	ALL LOCATIONS CLOSED
JAN 4	REGULAR PROGRAM HOURS



KIDS PROGRAMS

Arts & Crafts

TINY ART

Show us your creative side on a small scale! Pick up a tiny canvas at any library location between December 1 & 20 to create your masterpiece at home, or drop in to one of our crafting sessions. Return your art by December 29 to be featured in our January gallery display. **All ages**

STAM | **Wednesday Dec 2 | 4pm**

VIC | **Tuesday Dec 8 | 4pm**

COM | **Thursday Dec 10 | 4pm**

CHIP | **Wednesday Dec 16 | 3:30pm**

MINIATURE BOOK STACK MAGNET (R)

Pick your favourite book covers to display as mini magnets on your fridge. **Ages 8+**

VIC | **Tuesday Dec 1 | 4pm**

MESSY MASTERPIECES

It's time to get messy! Get ready to make a unique masterpiece using a variety of creative materials and your imagination. **All ages**

VIC | **Sunday Dec 6 | 11:30am**



Building & Tech

LEGO® CHALLENGE - HOLIDAY EDITION

Join us for a fun time building a variety of Holiday Lego designs! **Ages 5+**

COM | **Saturday Dec 5 | 11:30am**

Games & Family Play

AFTER SCHOOL KIDS CLUB

Hang out, play games, & do crafts with your friends! **Ages 6+**

CHIP | **Wednesdays | 3:30pm**

SENSORY PLAY SUNDAY

A slippery, sticky, hands-on experience. Dress to get messy. **All ages**

COM | **Sunday Dec 13 | 11:30am**

SWITCHED ON GAMERS

Work together. Battle it out. Test your skills on our Nintendo Switch. **Ages 8+**

STAM | **Saturday Jan 2 | 11:30am**

Literacy & Reading

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY

Get ready for the storytime you know and love, with stories, songs, rhymes, movement, and early literacy fun!

VIC | **Mondays | 10am, excluding Dec 21 & 28**

STAM | **Tuesdays | 9:15am, excluding Dec 22 & 29**

CHIP | **Wednesdays | 10am, excluding Dec 23 & 30**

COM | **Thursdays | 10am, excluding Dec 24 & 31**

COM | **Fridays | 10am, excluding Dec 25 and Jan 1**

COOKIES STORYTIME

Enjoy cookie-themed stories, activities, and a fun cookie craft!

COM | **Friday Dec 4 | 10am**

THERAPY TAILS

It's "dog days" at the library with Therapy Tails. Read some stories and say hello to some furry friends. **All ages**

STAM | **Saturday Dec 19 | 11:30am**

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TEEN PROGRAM

DECORATED PHONE GRIP (R)

Teens can design and customize their own unique phone grip mount using fun colours, creative designs, and personal flair! **Ages 12+**

VIC | Monday Dec 14 | 6pm

FIND THE WORDS

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GINGERBREAD
ROMANCE
FRIENDSHIP
MYSTERY
MITTENS
FANTASY
SNOWFLAKE
BOOKWORM
HOLIDAY

NIAGARA FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

YOUTH VOLUNTEER AWARD



Your volunteer work could earn you $500 towards your next endeavour!

Make a difference in your community, and your future.

Each year, the Niagara Falls Public Library Board recognizes graduating Niagara Falls secondary school students who demonstrate a significant commitment to community service through volunteering with NFPL

Ways to get involved:

Reading Buddies — Help younger children build literacy skills, vocabulary and confidence.

Kids Chess Club — Help children learn the basics and put their skills into play.

Program Support — Help prepare crafts and activities or lend a hand during library programs.

Special Events — Volunteer at one-day events like Comic Con, Trivia Night and Get Your Summer Read On Day.

Ready to register?

Scan the QR Code and complete a volunteer application form.

Apply by email at **programming@nflibrary.ca** or in person at any library location.

SCAN HERE:

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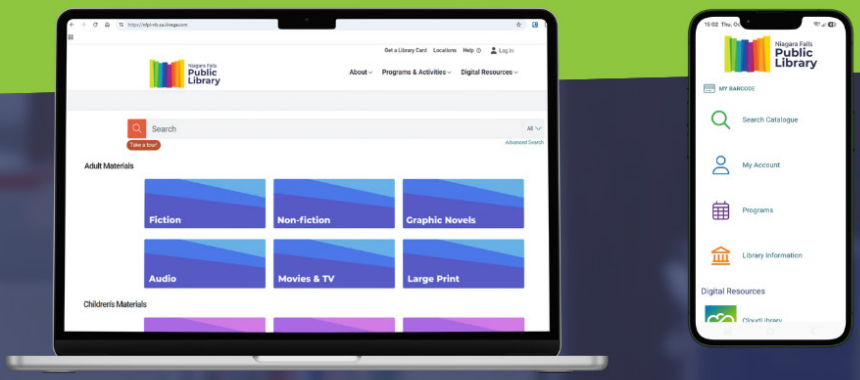
A NEW DIGITAL LIBRARY EXPERIENCE IS HERE!



Your library, anytime, anywhere. More ways to discover, all in one place.

WHAT'S NEW:

- **Smarter Catalogue:** Better search to find what you love
- **New Mobile App:** Browse, place holds and manage your account on the go
- **New Website:** Easier to explore programs, services and more

NIAGARA LIBRARY COLLECTIVE (NLC):

We now share a new catalogue system with St. Catharines Public Library (SCPL), while keeping our own library catalogue and community identity.

You can continue to enjoy existing reciprocal borrowing privileges at SCPL.

GET THE LIBRARY APP:

Download the Niagara Library Collective app for free from your app store. Search for "Niagara Falls Public Library" or "Niagara Library Collective".

Discover more:

nfpl.info/catalogue

ADULT PROGRAMS

Arts & Crafts

CRAFTERNOONS

Join other crafters, knitters, crocheters and artists for an afternoon of creating and learning. Spend the afternoon sharing ideas, chatting and more.

STAM | Tuesdays | 12:30pm

VIC | Thursdays | 1pm

KNITTING & CROCHET CLUB

Come join us for an evening of knitting and crocheting. Bring your current projects, share ideas, and who knows, you might get hooked! Bring your own supplies.
All skill levels welcome, no instruction provided.

VIC | Tuesdays | 7pm

Games & Social Clubs

CHESS CLUB

Drop in anytime between 3pm - 6pm and enjoy a friendly game of chess with other adults. No experience?
No problem! Get some pointers from our resident chess enthusiasts. Chess sets provided, but players are also welcome to bring their own. **Ages 16+**

COM | Thursdays | 3pm

GAME CAFE

Join us for an afternoon of games, coffee, and laughs. Try your hand at different board games, brain puzzles, card games and more.

CHIP | Fridays | 2:30pm

SENIOR'S CIRCLE OF JOY

If you are a senior and would like to connect with like-minded people, share life's wisdom, and enjoy some collective laughter and joy, please join us for a casual, drop-in gathering. This program is for anyone wanting to recognize the positive and beautiful aspects of aging.

VIC | Friday Dec 4 | 1pm

Language & Conversation

ENGLISH CLUB - IN THE LOOP

This welcoming and dynamic English club is designed for learners. Our focus is on engaging and educational activities that build language skills in meaningful ways. From reading and discussing short stories, offering guest speaker sessions and skill-based workshops, we aim to keep members "in the loop" with language, culture, and community.

VIC | Mondays | 6pm excluding Dec 21 and 28

ENGLISH CLUB - ENGLISH CAFE

In a relaxed, friendly space, English learners come together to practice, connect, and grow. Like your favourite café, it's all about good conversation—only here, the menu includes fun topics, interactive games, and occasional themed sessions to help boost your English confidence and fluency.

COM | Wednesdays | 3:30pm excluding Dec 23 and 30

VIC | Thursdays | 2pm excluding Dec 24 and 31

FRENCH CONVERSATION CLUB

Build speaking confidence and improve French conversation skills in our weekly program. Make new friends while learning about life in Canada and other programs and events in the community.

STAM | Thursdays | 6pm

VIC | Saturdays | 11:30am



Health & Wellness

SHARE & SHINE- PILATES (R)

Celebrate culture, build confidence, and connect through dance! This program invites newcomers to share their talents, practice English, gain volunteer experience, and feel more at home in their new community.

VIC | Mondays | 5pm

NIAGARA MEDITATION CIRCLE

Join the Niagara Meditation Circle for guided meditation, mindfulness, relaxation, and community connection in a calm and welcoming environment. Each session explores different meditation practices designed to reduce stress and support personal well-being. Open to beginners and experienced meditators alike.

VIC | Sunday Dec 6 | 11am

Essential Community Services & Support

PRACTICAL PHILOSOPHY MEET UP

Practical Philosophy is a weekly meet-up that brings critical thinkers together for an opportunity to dive deep on a topic, practice communicating, and building a community. All with no 'official' philosophy knowledge required! Each week we choose a topic, and the goal is to use the conversation to develop our critical thinking and communication as we explore that topic.

STAM | Wednesdays | 6pm

PRODUCE MARKET

Stop by the fresh produce pop up market hosted by Links for Greener Learning and United Way. First come first serve.

VIC | Thursday Dec 3 | 12pm

Program dates and times are subject to change. Visit our website for up-to-date information.

BLIZZARD OF 77 DIGITIZATION SESSIONS

The 50th anniversary of the Blizzard of 77 is around the corner and we need your help to plan ahead for an exhibition in the new year!

We're asking all Niagara locals to dust off your photo albums, journals, scrapbooks and home videos in this community initiative to add to our digital collection. Members of the public are invited to attend one of our in-person digitization sessions as we plan for the 50th anniversary. A selection of submissions will be exhibited in January.

If you have video footage that you would like to contribute please email localhistory@nflibrary.ca to book an appointment with our digitization station. We can digitize film in the following formats at our Victoria Avenue Library: Betamax, VHS, VHS-C, High 8 cassettes, or DVD (without DRM). Unfortunately at this point in time we cannot do Super 8 reels.

CHIP | Saturday, Dec 5 | 11:30am

STAM | Monday, Dec 7 | 5:30pm

COM | Thursday, Dec 10 | 5:30pm

VIC | Tuesday, Dec 15 | 5:30pm



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Check Us Out!
LOCATIONS & HOURS

Victoria | Commmunity | Stamford
Monday - Thursday ..... 9am - 8pm
Friday ..... 9am - 5pm
Saturday - Sunday ..... 11am - 3pm

Chippawa
Staffed Hours
Monday ..... 12pm - 8pm
Wednesday ..... 9am - 8pm
Friday ..... 9am - 5pm
Saturday ..... 11am - 3pm

Self-serve Hours with open+
Monday ..... 9am - 12pm
Tuesday ..... 9am - 8pm
Thursday ..... 9am - 8pm
Sunday ..... 11am - 3pm

Victoria Avenue
4848 Victoria Ave | 905-356-8080

Stamford Centre
3643 Portage Rd | 905-357-0410

Community Centre
7150 Montrose Rd | 905-371-1200

Chippawa Library
3848 Main St | 905-295-4391

Bookmobile
nflibrary.ca/bookmobile

NovelBranch
Book vending machine
8800 McLeod Rd | BGC Niagara

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nfpl.info/insider
nfpublicliblary
nflibrary

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Early ON
Child and Family Centre

Victoria Avenue Library
4848 Victoria Avenue, Niagara Falls

Monday	9am - 12pm 1:30pm - 4pm
Wednesday	9am - 12pm 1:30pm - 4pm
Friday	9am - 12pm
Saturday	11am - 2pm



Chippawa Library
3848 Main Street, Niagara Falls

Monday	1pm - 5pm
Wednesday	1pm - 5pm

Stamford Centre Library
3643 Portage Road, Niagara Falls

Tuesday	9am - 12pm 1:30pm - 4pm
Thursday	9am - 12pm 1:30pm - 4pm

Niagara-on-the-Lake Library
10 Anderson Lane, Niagara-on-the-Lake

Monday	4pm - 7pm
Tuesday	10am - 12:30pm
Wednesday	10am - 12:30pm
Friday	10am - 12:30pm

Community Centre Library
MacBain Centre, 7150 Montrose Road, Niagara Falls

Tuesday	9am - 12pm 1:30pm - 7:30pm
Thursday	9am - 12pm 1:30pm - 4pm
Friday (MacBain Park)	9am - 12pm
Sunday	11am - 2pm

Veterans Memorial Park
370 King Street, Niagara-on-the-Lake

Monday	9:30am - 12pm
Thursday	9:30am - 12pm

For more info, visit
nflibrary.ca/earlyon
or scan the QR code

EarlyON Niagara Falls Public Library Ontario

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