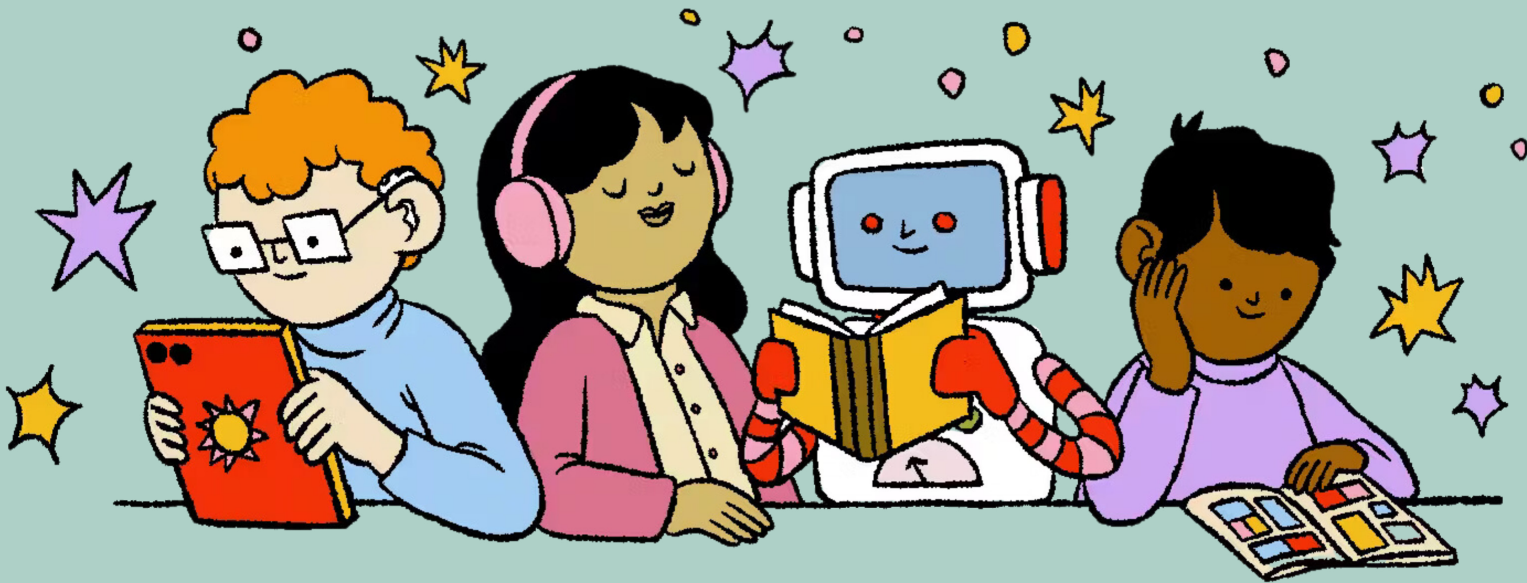




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MPL's One Book, One Milton 2024 Author and Title
TD Summer Reading Club
New! Sherwood Branch's Tech Table

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A Message from Our CEO!



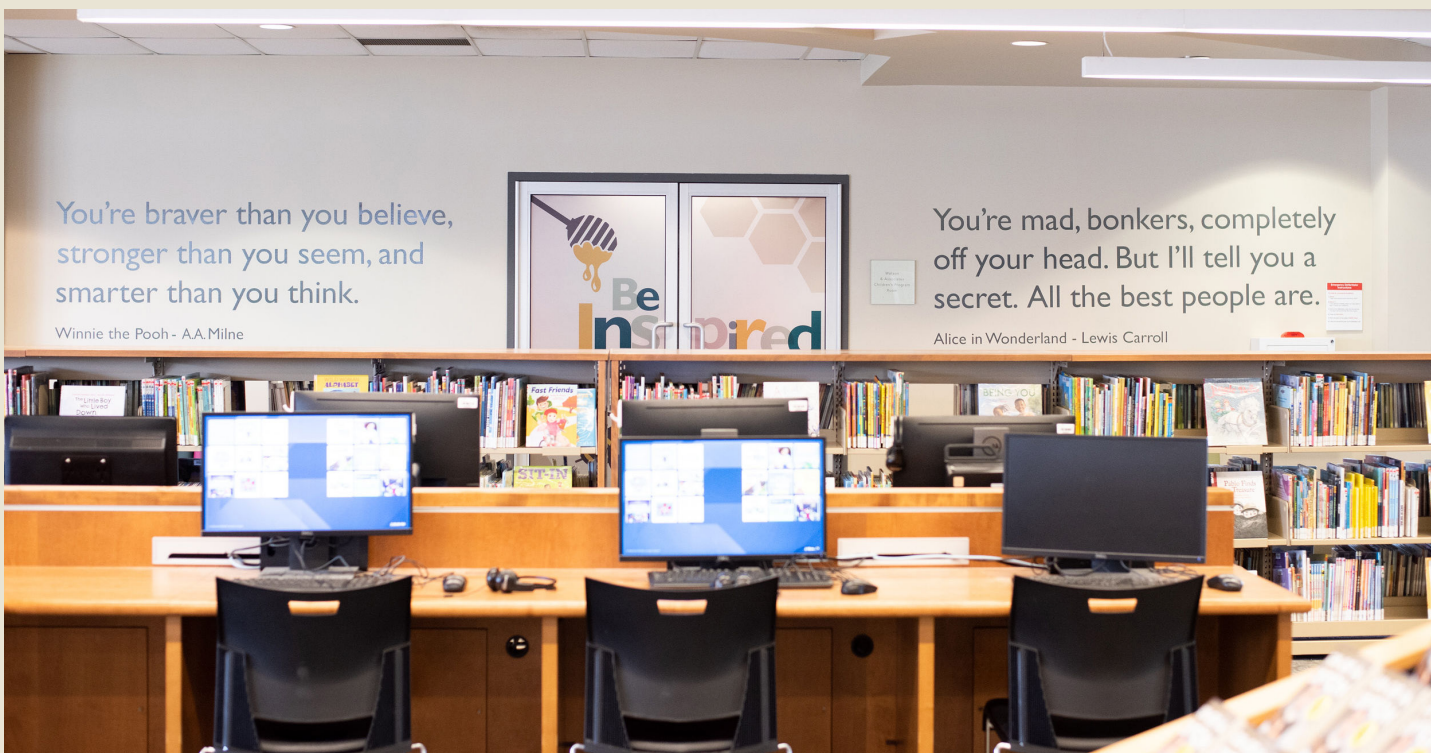
As we enjoy a vibrant summer, I'm excited to share some of the enriching programs we're offering. This year, we are thrilled to announce *Moon of the Turning Leaves* by Waubgeshig Rice as our selection for the One Book, One Milton initiative. Mr. Rice will join us at the FirstOntario Arts Centre on November 20 at 7 pm to discuss his latest sequel and its best-selling predecessor *Moon of the Crusted Snow*. I encourage each of you to visit any of our branches to pick up your copy and join us for a captivating evening with Mr. Rice on November 20th.

Our TD Summer Reading Club has also kicked off with the theme "To the Stars," inspiring young readers to explore new worlds and ideas through books. Meanwhile, our Read and Ride program, in partnership with Milton Transit, continues to provide free transportation to our younger patrons, making library access easier and more enjoyable. Additionally, our Summer Giving Campaign in collaboration with Milton Community Resource Centre is supporting the Infant Food Bank emphasizing our commitment to community support.

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to seeing you at our library events, where we celebrate and learn together.

Warm Regards,

Sarah-Douglas Murray
CEO & Chief Librarian



Children's Storytimes

Registered Storytimes

Program	Age	Day & Time	Location
Wonders of the Night Sky	9-12 years	July 11, Aug 8 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Beaty Branch
Night Sky Storytime	2-6 years	July 15, Aug 12 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Main Library
Out of this World Storytime	4-6 years	July 16, 23, 30, Aug 6, 13 11:30 am - 12:00 pm	Main Library
Star Light Star Bright, it's Storynight!	2-6 years	July 17, Aug 14 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm	Main Library



Drop-In Storytimes

Program	Age	Day & Time	Location
PJ Storytime	2-6 years	Tuesdays 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Beaty Branch
Family Storytime	0-6 years	Saturdays 10:15 am - 10:45 am 10:45 am - 11:15 am 11:00 am - 11:30 am	Main Library Beaty Branch Sherwood Branch
Tales in the Park	All ages	July 8, 15, 22, 29, Aug 12, 19, 26 10:00 am - 11:00 am	Milton Community Park
Parachute Play	1-4 years	July 9, 16, 23, 30, Aug 6, 13 10:30 am - 11:00 am	Beaty Branch
Teddybear Tales	2-6 years	July 10, 17, 24, 31, Aug 7, 14 July 11, 18, 25, Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Beaty Branch Sherwood Branch
Summerfun Storytime	3-5 years	July 9, 16, 23, 30, Aug 6, 13 10:00 am - 10:45 am July 10, 17, 24, 31, Aug 7, 14, 21 July 11, 18, 25, Aug 1, 8, 15, 22 10:30 am - 11:15 am	Main Library Beaty Branch Sherwood Branch
Italian Storytime	3-5 years	July 12, Aug 9, Sept 6 1:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Main Library
French Storytime	3-5 years	July 27, Aug 24, Sept 21 2:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Sherwood Branch
Hindi Storytime	3-5 years	July 28, Sept 22 11:30 am - 12:00 pm	Main Library
Baby Sing and Connect with EarlyON Milton	0-12 months	Sept 4, 11, 18, 25 10:30 am - 11:30 am Sept 9, 16, 23, 30 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Main Library Beaty Branch
Baby Toddler Play and Sing with EarlyON Milton	0-24 months	Sept 4, 11, 18, 25 11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Beaty Branch
Toddler Movin' and Groovin' with EarlyON Milton	0-24 years	Sept 5, 12, 19, 26 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Sherwood Branch



Children's Programs

Wednesdays

July 3 - Aug 28
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm
Beaty Branch

Saturdays

10:45 am - 11:45 am, Main
11:15 am - 12:15 pm Beaty
11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Sherwood

July 7

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Main Library

July 8, August 16

11:00 am - 11:50 am
Sherwood Branch

July 9, August 8

10:30 am - 11:30 am
Sherwood Branch

Tuesdays

July 9, 23, Aug 6, 20
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Main Library

July 9

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Online

Tuesdays

July 9, 16, 23, 30,
Aug 6, 13
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Sherwood Branch

Tuesdays

July 9 - Aug 27
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Beaty Branch

July 10

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Wednesdays

July 10, 17, 24, 31, Aug 7
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Main Library

July 10, 24

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Beaty Branch

Thursdays

July 11, 18, 25,
Aug 1, 8, 15
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Main Library

MathMania

MathMania is a drop-in program for children ages 5 - 12 to practice their math skills, using games and worksheets. Please note this is not a tutoring program.

Play Hive

Drop-in for children up to 6 years of age, accompanied by a parent or adult caregiver. Bring your little ones for a fun and interactive play session. Be ready to play explore, discover, and create together using the toys and materials provided.

Choose Your Own Adventure: Creative Writing Club

Will you travel to outer space or time travel to dinosaurs? How will your story end? Join us as we test our skills at writing your very own Choose Your Own Space Adventure Story, where the options are up to you!

Music with Mr J. and the Groovy Gang

Join children's musician, Mr. J and the Groovy Gang, at Sherwood Branch for an hour of musical fun. His infectious spirit will have children (of all ages) singing, dancing, and clapping!

Space Bingo Blast

Join us for a few games of Outer Space BINGO! Learn some awesome space terms, meet new friends, and have fun. You might even win a prize!

Ozo Goes to the Sun, Earth and Moon!

Learn how the sun, earth and moon affect each other and get some hands on coding practice using Ozobots! Ozobots are a small robots that can be coded with markers, paper, or a computer.

Virtual Author Talk - Deckawoo Drive with Mercy Watson and Kate DiCamillo

Join us for a visit to Deckawoo Drive with everyone's favorite adventure loving pig, Mercy Watson! Newbery Medal winning author Kate DiCamillo will be sharing the stories behind the creation of her books.

Hour of Code: Code a 3D Space Invaders Game

Code the classic Space Invaders game in 3D, while learning the basics about game development.

Play Hive

Drop-in for children up to 6 years of age, accompanied by a parent or adult caregiver. Bring your little ones for a fun and interactive play session. Be ready to play explore, discover, and create together using the toys and materials provided.

Shoot, Score, Science and More with Scientists in School

Jump, shoot, roll and glide; can you find the science in sport? Take a test to discover where your dominance lies. Create a sculpture to investigate how throwing a ball affects your balance.

Stargazing with Ozobots: Recreate a Constellation

Participants will embark on a stellar journey by creating and drawing their own constellation which they will bring to life using Color Codes to program the Ozobot to glide gracefully over their starry night sky.

Stars in the Sky: Constellations

Join us for a magical journey across the stars. Participants will learn about the major constellations, the stories behind them from various cultures. Everyone will create their very own star viewer and glow in the dark constellation.

Create Your Own Video Game with Bloxels!

Join us for an exciting adventure where imagination meets technology! In this fun and interactive program, participants will learn how to design and build their very own simple video games using Bloxels.

Register for these exciting programs!

Fridays

July 12, Aug 2, 30
10:00 am - 11:00 am
Main Library

Alif se Urdu

This program is designed to teach Urdu to children in a small group setting. The focus will be on developing basic Urdu writing focusing on letters and the alphabet.

Wednesdays

July 12, 18,
Aug 2, 13, 14, 15
Multiple Times
Main and Sherwood

Escape Mars: Summer Escape Room

Crew your mission is to explore the surface of Mars while traveling to your new home at Olympus Mons. Your voyage will take seven months and you will make stops for research along the way. Can you make it there in time?

Saturdays

July 13 - Aug 17
3:00 pm - 4:15 pm
Beaty Branch

Saturday Crafternoons

Drop-in for children up to 6 years of age, accompanied by a parent or adult caregiver. Bring your little ones for a fun and interactive play session. Be ready to play explore, discover, and create together using the toys and materials provided.

July 15, 24, 30

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm, Main
11:00 am - 12:00 pm,
Sherwood
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm, Beaty

Magical Science with Scientists in School

Discover a magical force that will levitate particles. Scatter light and create illusions that will thrill your audience. Experiment with colourful teas and unusual potions on this magical science adventure!

July 15, August 15

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Main Library

Outer Space Bingo

Join us for a few games of Outer Space BINGO! Learn some awesome space terms, meet new friends, and have fun. You might even win a prize!

July 16, August 13

10:30 am - 11:30 am
Main Library

Veggie Art

Let's get creative with veggies! Join us for a fun-filled painting program where participants will use assorted vegetables as brushes, to create colorful masterpieces.

Tuesdays

July 16, 30, Aug 13
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Main Library

Ozo Travels to the Solar System!

Learn about the solar system through simple coding exercises using Ozobots! Ozobot is a small robot that can be coded with markers, paper, or a computer.

July 16

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Online

Virtual Author Talk - Surviving the Summer with Max Brallier

Would you survive a zombie apocalypse? Join us to talk with New York Times bestselling author Max Brallier about The Last Kids on Earth, both the book series and the animated series on Netflix.

Tuesdays

July 16, 30, Aug 13
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Main Library

NASA's Space Jam: Hour of Code

Create a solar system that really rocks! Learn about music, astronomy, and coding in this self guided activity.

July 17, August 14

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Sherwood Branch

Insect Invasion!

Dive into the captivating world of creepy crawlies as we explore the fascinating realm of insects up close. During this interactive experience with either live insects or exoskeletons we'll unravel the mysteries of the insect kingdom together.

Wednesdays

July 17, 24, 31, Aug 7
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Main Library

Ozobots: Programmer Spacecraft Challenge

Participants in this workshop will create their own program to help Ozobot mimic a spacecraft and complete a mission.

Wednesdays

July 17, 24, 31, Aug 7, 14
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Drop-in Pokémon Card Club

Curious about Pokémon cards, but unsure of how to play the game? Join us for Pokémon Card Club and we will help you learn the basics so you can face off against your friends.

Thursdays

July 18, Aug 1, 15
10:30 am - 11:30 am
Beaty Branch

Mason Jar Science

Discover awesome science experiments using mason jars and various ingredients. Participants will observe, surface tension in action, how effervescence makes a lava lamp and finally tiny tornados.

Children's Programs

July 19

11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Discovery Zone with Scientists in School

Join us for an action-packed adventure through the discovery zone, where you'll explore colour chromatography, investigate why trees are important to engineers, and create an elastic-powered car.

July 19

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Main Library

Candy Chemistry with Scientists in School

Discover the surprising science hiding in a bag of Skittles. Explore solubility, buoyancy, reactivity and investigate the odds of finding your favourite colour. How sweet it is!

Fridays

July 19, Aug 2, 16
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Robots Dance Too!

Join us for an exciting introduction to robots using Cubelets! Working together in small groups participants will figure out how to make their robots dance!

Saturdays

July 20, Aug 3, 17
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Main Library

Outer Space Science: To the Moon

Over five decades have passed since humans last landed on the Moon! Come along as we explore the lunar terrain, uncover its unique features, and get creative with activities like crafting moon dough slime and moon dust!

Saturdays

July 20, Aug 3, 17
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Main Library

Blast Off! A Journey to the Planets

Are you curious about the science behind how rockets soar into the sky and where they go in space? Join us for an exciting adventure where you'll get to build and launch your very own straw rocket ships!

July 22, August 9

11:00 am - 12:00 pm,
Sherwood
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm, Main

Sticky Science with Scientists in School

Get sticky with it! Discover the science of sticky. Make your own glue from food products and test them to see how they hold. Create your own sticky art. And of course, there will be silly putty!

July 23

10:30 am - 12:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Steam Explorers: Journey to the Cosmos!

Engage in hands on STEAM activities in this engaging program. Participants will have the opportunity to unleash their creativity and curiosity about space.

Tuesdays

July 23, Aug 6, 20
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Main Library

Code a 3D Space Invaders Game: Hour of Code

Code the classic Space Invaders game in 3D, while learning the basics about game development.

July 24, August 14

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Main Library

Candy Bingo

Join us for a few games of candy BINGO! Meet new friends, and have fun. You might even get prize!

Wednesdays

July 24, 31, Aug 7
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Main Library

Ozobots: Rotation or Revolution

This interactive hands-on program, will help participants to gain a clear understanding of the concepts of rotation and revolution. Participants will program Ozobots to simulate rotation and revolution in relation to a planet or moon.

July 25

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Sherwood Branch

How Does Your Garden Grow?

Join us and create your very own growing grass house in a mini container. Take it home and care for it and see what pops up! This program may be messy, so it is recommended that you wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty.

July 25

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Main Library

Bee Basics with Humble Bee

Learn about honey bees and how they work together. Explore the responsibilities of a beekeeper over the course of a season and the yearly cycle of a honeybee colony.

Thursdays

July 25, Aug 1, 15, 22
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Beaty Branch

Summer Family Movies

Come and enjoy a family friendly movie at Beaty Branch, best suited for children 4-10, but all are welcome. Parents must remain with their children.

Register for these exciting programs!

July 26

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Livi and Friends

Sing, dance, jump and learn with Livi and Friends at this live interactive performance. Best suited for children 4-8 years of age accompanied by their parent or caregiver, but all are welcome!

July 30

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Online

Virtual Author Talk - Telling Your Own Story in a Graphic Novel with Dan Santat

Participants in this interactive workshop will use Ozobots to observe the shadow of Earth on the Moon as the Moon completes its revolution around Earth.

July 31

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Main Library

Ozobots: Lunar Eclipse

Participants in this interactive workshop will use Ozobots to observe the shadow of Earth on the Moon as the Moon completes its revolution around Earth.

Thursdays

Aug 1, 29, Sept 26
10:30 am - 11:30 am
Main Library

Coding Critters

Play, learn, and code with some very special robot pets! These interactive pets introduce preschoolers to critical thinking, problem solving, and other STEM skills.

August 4

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Main Library

Observing the Night Sky

Are you ready to dive deep into outer space? Join us and learn about constellations, nebulae, galaxies, black holes and so much more! Participants will create their very own marshmallow constellation to take home.

August 7

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Main Library

Moving Satellite with Lego® WeDo 2:0

Participants will work in small groups to build a LEGO® model satellite and program it to interact with a laptop following simple step by step guidelines.

August 8

11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Main Library

Bentastic Magic!

Bentastic's Fantastic Magic Show is a fast paced interactive magic show where the children will embark on their journey to become official magicians, with lots laughs, audience participation and amazing magic.

August 13

10:30 am - 11:20 am
Sherwood Community
Centre

Rocketship in the Orion Dome with Astronomy in Action

Join us for a friendly and welcoming introduction to space in an amazing inflatable planetarium. Participants will use their imagination to spot shapes in the stars, fly around the Moon, and become astronauts!

August 13

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Sherwood Community
Centre

Solar Systems in the Orion Dome with Astronomy in Action

Participants will enter the inflatable planetarium and explore the solar system and planets, with an emphasis on Mars and the challenges of spaceflight.

August 14

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Main Library

Ozobots Mission to Mars!

Participants will work in small groups to help their Ozobot reach Mars by drawing colour coded lines for Ozo to follow.

August 16

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Summer Reading Club Wrap Up Party with Rumble and Friends!

Join us after hours as we celebrate the end of a successful summer of reading! This interactive disco party is for families to enjoy together.

Teen Programs

May - October

Dates & Times Vary
Beaty Branch

July 3

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Thursdays

July 4 - Aug 15
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Beaty Branch

Fridays

July 5, 19, Aug 2, 16, 30
2:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Beaty Branch

Saturdays

July 6 - Aug 24
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Beaty Branch

July 6

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Main Library

Multiple Dates

July 8, Main
Aug 23, Beaty
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Sherwood

Tuesdays

July 9 - Aug 27
7:15 pm - 8:45 pm
Sherwood Branch

Wednesdays

July 10, Aug 7
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Main Library

Multiple Dates

July 12, Aug 9, Sept 28
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Wednesdays

July 17, Aug 14, Sept 18
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Main Library

Thursdays

July 18, Aug 1, 15, 22
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Main Library

Multiple Dates

July 23, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Sept 25, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Garden Volunteers

We are looking for teen volunteers to help in our Medicine Learning Garden all summer long. You are permitted to sign up for multiple dates. Please sign up for each date individually!

Comic Jar Jams

Decoupage is an art form where you glue paper or fabric cutouts onto an object until it looks like a painting. We will decorate mason jars with pages from graphic novels and manga, and more. All supplies will be provided.

Wikipedia at the Beehive

Join a Wikipedia expert for a 7 week workshop for teens to curate content on Wikipedia with known bias/gaps, and learn the importance of information consumption/contribution available on digital platforms.

Worst Movie Ever

Together, let's watch some of the most infamous movies that Hollywood has offered – the flops with zero chemistry between the leads, where the script makes absolutely no sense, where you wonder how the heck this ever got made.

Sewing 101

In partnership with Creative Community Hive, join us for a series of hands-on sewing machine workshops at the Beaty Branch. In these sessions, participants will learn basic sewing machine operation, and how to make different items.

Steampunk for Teens

Come explore a world of clockwork, steam, and strange inventions that test the boundaries of what humans can or should do. Participants will learn all about Steampunk; including books and movies.

Postcards from Impossible Worlds

The Shortest Story is a project by artist Peter Chiynowski, where you take a picture prompt and write a story no longer than a postcard. We will provide the pictures, and you will tell your story.

Dungeons & Dragons

Have you always wanted to play Dungeons and Dragons? Join our Dungeon Master, Calvin, as he hosts this 8 week beginner friendly DnD campaign!

Write for Rights

For over 20 years, Amnesty International's annual Write for Rights campaign has transformed the lives of people whose rights have been wronged. Teens will view a short video synopsis and will then write a letter to help the cause.

Keeping it Reel: Wikipedia and the Movies

Join Emily Carrasco-Acosta, a Wikipedia expert, for a fun cinema day and to learn how to edit Wikipedia movie articles. There will be a mini Wikipedia workshop prior to watching the chosen month's film to learn basic editing skills.

Queer Peers: Dungeons and Dragons

Embark on a journey through a fantasy world at Queer Peers: Dungeons and Dragons! Our Game Master will teach you everything from making a character, to completing your first campaign! Run in partnership with Pflag Halton.

Upcycling: From Trash to Treasure

Through a series of four upcycle craft workshops, tweens and teens will have the opportunity to turn everyday recyclables into "uncommon treasures." Join us as we breathe new life into old books, CDs, t-shirts, and more!

Yarn Painting

Yarn painting is a traditional art form of the Huichol Indigenous people of Mexico and USA, so for the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples, we are going to learn about this art form and make our own creations inspired by it.

Register for these exciting programs!

July 23

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Online

Virtual Author Talk - Learning the Power of Poetry with Elizabeth Acevedo

In this exciting author conversation and Q&A, Acevedo will provide a short reading from her National Book Award winning and New York Times bestselling novel-in-verse, *The Poet X* serving as the backdrop to this amazing chat!

July 26

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Name Game!

Plants are all around us, especially as part of our Medicine Learning Garden. The Name Game is meant to help teens learn how to identify various plants and their uses, and to learn about the natural world around them.

Saturdays

July 27, Aug 24
2:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Main Library

Super Smash Bros Tournament

Compete for gift cards and bragging rights in this ultimate Super Smash Bros Tournament!

July 29

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Main Library

Anime and Manga Teen Trivia

Test your knowledge of anime and manga for a chance to win cool prizes!

July 31

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Best Time @ MPL!

Individuals and teams will play various games based on time - stacking, memorizing, building, matching, strategic, and more. The group with the best time @ MPL will receive a prize. What's your best time?

August 6 - 8

Multiple Times
Beaty Branch

Doctor Who Escape Room: Trouble in the TARDIS

An unexpected bump has caused some trouble for the TARDIS. The Doctor has sent you to a storage room to find a replacement part. Do you think you can find the part and repair the TARDIS before it explodes?

August 28

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Beaty Branch

To The Stars: Creating Celestial Canvas Bag Art for Teens

Let's celebrate our TD Summer Reading Club theme of 'To The Stars'. Come out and create your very own celestial canvas tote, using our Cricut Press machine and other provided supplies. Our finished creations will be out of this world!

August 29

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Magic Letters from Hecate: Celebrating Percy Jackson #7

Percy Jackson is getting ready to apply to New Rome University, but he needs your help to get a letter of recommendation from Hecate. Find her lost pets and give her some suggested letters for the school!

September 19

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Main Library

Queer Peers with Pflag Halton

Queer Peers is a peer support meeting facilitated by Pflag Halton. This space will offer various activities, crafts, special guests, and general support for anyone queer, questioning, or who wants to be an ally.

Sept 20 - Oct 13

Online

Put Pen to Paper

MPL's annual short story contest is back! Students from grades 6-12 are invited to submit their short stories of 1500 words maximum, on any topic of their choosing to our panel of judges.

Tuesdays

Sept 24, Oct 1, 8, 15
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Henna Artistry for Teens

This course outline aims to provide an introduction to henna artistry. Through a beginner-friendly build technique, teens will practice drawing fundamental elements such as lines, circles, flowers, leaves and different geometric patterns.

September 26

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Beaty Branch

Pick, Pop, & Play: Movies for Teens

Two movies enter the ring, but only one will emerge victorious! Each month we will offer a choice of two movies, with a poll on our Instagram feed – you pick which one we will show! Popcorn provided, seating first come first served.



Adult Programs

July 2, 17, Aug 14, 27

Various Times
Various Branches

Learn to Code - Grandparents and Grandkids Edition

1-hour hands-on workshop for grandparents and grandkids to explore some fun and easy technologies. Beginners welcome! This is a judgment-free program where we will learn these new technologies together.

Wednesdays

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Main Library

Seniors Social

Drop-in and connect with old friends and meet new ones while playing cards and board games, sharing laughter, reminiscing and more.

Wednesdays

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Main Library

Milton Knitting Circle

Milton Public Library is happy to welcome the Milton Knitting Circle. This weekly group meets at the Main Library on Wednesdays. Beginners and new faces always welcome.

Thursdays

July 4 - Aug 29
Sept 12 - Dec 19
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

English Conversation Circles: Intermediate / Advanced

Conversation Circles are gatherings where people come together to practice speaking English. They are an excellent way to practice your English in a variety of situations while meeting people in the community. Presented by HMC.

July 5

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Main Library

Meet Dave the Beekeeper with Backed by Bees

Meet Dave the Beekeeper, your local beekeeper at Backed by Bees. Learn about beekeeping and the equipment used while enjoying insights and anecdotes from Dave's beekeeping experience. All ages welcome.

Fridays

July 5 - Sept 7
10:00 am - 11:00 am
Sherwood Branch

Triple M: Movement, Memory and Mindfulness

By integrating movement with cognitive exercises and meditative techniques, this program nurtures brain health, enhances memory, and cultivates mindfulness, offering a holistic approach to cognitive fitness and well-being.

July 6

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Pollinator Power

Discover the crucial roles bees play in pollination and learn tips for creating bee-friendly gardens. Participants will get their hands dirty with a planting activity suitable for all ages. All levels of bee-related knowledge welcome.

Multiple Dates

July 7, 15, 22, 28, 29,
Aug 11, 12, 19, 26
Various Times
Sherwood Branch

Creative Connections

This program offers opportunities to learn, develop and explore various crafting techniques while fostering a community of creative minds.

Sundays

July 7, 21 Aug 4, 18,
Sept 1, 15, 29
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Magic the Gathering: Commander Afternoon

Bring your commander decks and join us for some friendly pick-up games with fellow MtG enthusiasts. All skill levels are welcome whether you want some practice with your decks or are learning to play the game for the first time.

July 10

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Sherwood Branch

Celestial Bear - The First Nations' Night Sky

A fascinating show that blends local culture, history, and modern-day astronomy that shares the Six Nation's sky lore and language through traditional indigenous night-sky stories. Presented in partnership with McMaster's McCallion Planetarium.

Thursdays

July 11, Aug 8, Sept 12
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Main Library

Halton Community Legal Services - On Site

Halton Community Legal Services will be on site to discuss your questions and connect you with legal supports or community referrals.

Thursdays

July 11, Aug 8, Sept 5
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Third Moon Brewery

Trivia Night at Third Moon Brewery

A fun-filled evening of trivia at Third Moon Brewery. Come individually or bring your friends. Drop-in.

Saturdays

July 13, 27, Aug 10, 24,
Sept 7, 21
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Dungeons and Dragons

Are you a veteran or novice Dungeons and Dragons player? Join our Dungeon Master, Calvin, as he hosts this 6 week DnD campaign for adults!

Register for these exciting programs!

July 17

1:30 pm - 2:15 pm
Main Library

Making Plans in Advance – Wills and Powers of Attorney

Do you have someone to make decisions for you if you are unable to? What happens to your property when you die? Join Halton Community Legal Services to learn how to plan for when you can't make decisions for yourself.

July 18

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Beaty Branch

SAMM Social - School & University Decoded: Insights from Teachers and Students

This is a workshop designed to support parents in navigating the complexities of the educational system. Whether you're new to the country or seeking guidance on scholarship applications, this session offers valuable information.

July 20

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Sushi Making Workshop with the Joyce of Cooking

In this 2-hour sushi-making workshop learn how to make three different rolls: a California roll, a spicy salmon roll, and a tuna hand roll! All ingredients provided.

Thursdays

July 25, Aug 22, Sept 19
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Side Hustle

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July 27

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Sherwood Branch

Bees and Hive Exploration with Backed by Bees

An in-depth exploration of the intricate world of honey bee hives in this in-person demonstration. Learn about each component of a bee hive, bee roles and hive dynamics. All ages welcome.

July 29, August 26

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Sherwood Branch

Mindful Mondays

Learn and discuss techniques to cultivate present moment awareness, reduce stress, and enhance overall well-being. Foster a deeper connection with yourself and the world around you.

Tuesdays

July 30, Aug 27, Sept 24
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Sherwood Branch

Writer's Circle

The Writer's Circle is about getting together to share what we've written, and be supported in whatever genre is chosen. Occasionally we will welcome guest speakers, but our main goal is to write, write, and write!

August 7

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Online

Virtual Author Talk - BTS with Smithsonian Curator Dr. Jennifer Levasseur

You're invited to virtually step inside one of the greatest international achievements with a behind-the-scenes guide to space exploration with the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum curator Dr. Jennifer Levasseur.

August 7

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Beaty Branch

Beekeeping 101 Workshop

An introductory workshop on keeppeeing for adults and interested youth (ages 13+) that covers basic beekeeping equipment, safety and a glimpse into the daily life of a beekeeper.

August 7

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Sherwood Branch

Seed Harvesting Workshop

"The Seed Lady", Nancy Hainsworth, will be sharing her knowledge of local urban gardening, focusing on seed harvesting.

Thursdays

July 11, Aug 8, Sept 5
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Third Moon Brewery

Dumpling?

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August 15

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Online

Virtual Author Talk - Redefining Success for Parents of Teens with Irena Smith

You will hear about constructive and healthy ways to approach the college application process, preserve your relationship with your teen, and help them define success on their terms instead of chasing the elusive "golden ticket."

August 19, 23

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm
Main Library

Ready, Set, Hold! - Autumn 2024 New Releases Preview

Learn about and discuss upcoming and new releases, author spotlights, celebrity book club picks, backlist titles, book prizes and more! Leave with new suggestions for your hold list.

Register for these exciting programs!

August 21

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Online

Virtual Author Talk - Exploring Friendship, Reckoning, & Hope with Shelby Van Pelt

Chat with the amazing New York Times bestselling author Shelby Van Pelt about her beloved novel Remarkably Bright Creatures. You don't want to miss this deep-dive exploration of friendship, reckoning, hope, and so much more!

August 29

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Beaty Branch

SAMM Social – How to Nail that Perfect Shot!

Join renowned photographer Sarah Arfan for an enlightening photography workshop. Learn the art of composition, master essential camera settings, and delve into more advanced techniques.

August 31

10:00 am - 11:00 am
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Meet the Beekeeper – Field Trip to Backed by Bees

Take a field trip to Backed by Bees and meet the bees in person with Dave the Beekeeper. A hands-on experience in a real beekeeping environment. Observe hives, ask questions and deepen your understanding of beekeeping.

September 4

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Beaty Branch

SAMM Social – Festive Makeup Mastery

Discover expert tips to ensure you dazzle your guests and friends during the festival season, looking and feeling your absolute best.

Saturdays

Sept 7, 14, 21, 28
10:30 am - 11:30 am
Sherwood Branch

Computer Anatomy

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Tuesdays

Sept 10 - Dec 17
6:15 pm - 7:15 pm
Main Library

English Conversation Circles: Basic

Conversation Circles are gatherings where people come together to practice speaking English. They are an excellent way to practice your English in a variety of situations while meeting people in the community. Presented by HMC.

Tuesdays

Sept 10 - Dec 17
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Main Library

English Conversation Circles: Intermediate / Advanced

Conversation Circles are gatherings where people come together to practice speaking English. They are an excellent way to practice your English in a variety of situations while meeting people in the community. Presented by HMC.

Wednesdays

Sept 11, Oct 9, Nov 6
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Bollywood Trivia

Test your knowledge of scenes, plot lines, movie stars, iconic roles, and debut Bollywood films. Bring your family and friends to test your knowledge and have some fun with Bollywood Trivia!

September 14

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Sherwood Branch

Mooncake Making Workshop

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Multiple Dates

Sept 16, Aug, 8, Nov 11,
Dec 9
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Main Library

Film Club

Watch the selected film and then join us for a lively discussion each month. Instead of books, this a club for those interested in films to meet new people and share ideas

Multiple Dates

Sept 19, Oct 30, Nov 27
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Beaty Branch

Hindi Social

Join us at the Milton Public Library for a meaningful session to meet new people, discuss current events and share life experiences. The session will conclude with some board games.

September 21

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
Backed by Bees

Mead Tasting - Field Trip to Backed by Bees

Curious what the world's oldest alcoholic beverage tastes like? Join Vincent, the Meadmaker, from Backed by Bees as he guides you through this ancient beverage reimaged.

Wednesdays

Sept 25, Oct 23,
Nov 20, Dec 18
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Main Library

Urdu Social

Join us for an evening of meaningful speakers with Urdu speakers. Reconnect with old friends and make new ones.

One Book, One Milton 2024

Introducing our OBOM 2024 Author and Title!

Join us for an evening with author and journalist Waubgeshig Rice, where he will discuss his most recent novel, *Moon of the Turning Leaves*, the sequel to his best-selling book, *Moon of the Crusted Snow*.

Moon of the Turning Leaves is Waubgeshig Rice's exhilarating return to the world first explored in the phenomenal breakout bestseller *Moon of the Crusted Snow*: a brooding story of survival, resilience, Indigenous identity, and rebirth.

Twelve years after the power went out worldwide, the Anishinaabe people of Shki-dnakiwin ("New village") discover problems with their homestead. Hoping to return to their ancestral home on the northern shore of Lake Huron, a party of six sets out to test whether it would be possible for the community to emigrate safely southward.

Now in its eleventh year, One Book, One Milton continues to be Milton Public Library's signature annual program having played host to some of Canada's greatest icons. MPL is honoured to add Waubgeshig Rice and his novel *Moon of the Turning Leaves* to this incredible list.



About Waubgeshig Rice

Waubgeshig Rice is an author and journalist from Wasauksing First Nation. He graduated from the journalism program at Toronto Metropolitan University in 2002, and spent most of his journalism career with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation as a video journalist and radio host. He left CBC in 2020 to focus on his literary career.

In addition to his writing endeavours, Waubgeshig is an eclectic public speaker, delivering keynote addresses and workshops, engaging in interviews, and contributing to various panels at literary festivals and conferences. He speaks on creative writing and oral storytelling, contemporary Anishinaabe culture and matters, Indigenous representation in arts and media, and more.

He lives in Sudbury, Ontario with his wife and three sons.



Buy Your Tickets for the Big Event!

Scan the QR code to the right to purchase your tickets for An Evening with Waubgeshig Rice on November 20 at the FirstOntario Arts Centre.

Stay tuned for exciting OBOM programming at MPL!



News and Updates

Fun Community Events in the Spring

Milton Public Library celebrated spring with several community events: The Medicine Learning Garden re-opening featured activities, a drum performance, and new installations with Indigenous leaders. Tea Fest was a success, highlighting tea culture with demonstrations and vendors. The Find Your Formalwear campaign allowed local teens to select free formal attire for prom, distributing 241 items and fostering community support.



Service Delivery Review

The Service Delivery Review Community Report is now available online for public access. A detailed implementation workplan for the Service Delivery and Organizational Review Project was presented at the Board meeting on June 19, 2024.

Tech Table at Sherwood Branch

Sherwood Library is introducing a new “tech table” this fall, centralizing all branch technology like 3D printers and laminators. Located in the middle of the library where the laptop kiosk used to be, this space will also support tech-related programming, seating up to 10 people with accessible sections included.

Strategic Plan

Milton Public Library is updating its Master Plan following the completion of a Service Delivery and Organizational Review in April 2024. The plan, developed with experienced consultants Monteith Brown, aims to reflect community needs and align with Milton’s strategic goals. A draft report will be completed by early fall, followed by community consultation and stakeholder engagement, with the final plan expected to be endorsed by the MPL Board in November 2024.

New Horizons for Seniors 2024

The Milton Public Library has received the New Horizon for Seniors Grant 2024 for their project “Engaging Senior Artists,” building on their previous successful initiatives. This grant aims to empower senior citizens through visual arts. The “Engaging Senior Artists” project will offer workshops, artist talks, and exhibitions, fostering community connections and reducing social isolation among seniors while promoting lifelong learning and a sense of belonging.



MILTON TRANSIT
Read and Ride
this summer!

Brought to you by Milton Transit, in partnership with Milton Public Library

A graphic for Milton Transit's "Read and Ride" program. It features a white bus with "MILTON TRANSIT" written on the front, driving on a road. The background is a colorful illustration of a town with houses, trees, and people playing sports. The text "MILTON TRANSIT" is in large, bold, blue letters, and "Read and Ride this summer!" is in smaller, blue letters below it. At the bottom, there is a small logo for Milton Public Library and a line of small text: "Brought to you by Milton Transit, in partnership with Milton Public Library".

Summer Initiatives

Starting June 22, Milton Public Library introduced three summer programs: the TD Summer Reading Club themed “To the Stars,” the Read and Ride program offering free transit for youth, and the Summer Giving Campaign supporting the Infant Food Bank. These initiatives aim to promote literacy, community involvement, and accessible transportation.

Our Services Free with your Library Card



Library of Things

- Active Living: Borrow outdoor games, sports equipment, and free passes to local attractions.
- Children and Teens: Enjoy gaming with Nintendo Switch Consoles or explore STEAM.
- Technology for Home: Improve your home's safety and efficiency.
- Sensory Kits: Designed to support neurodiverse patrons.

Printing, Viewing and Lamination

- Self-Serve Printing: Available at all locations, 3D printing with non-toxic PLA filament.
- Microfilm and Microfiche Viewing: Available at the Main Library. Please call ahead to book a viewing session.
- Self-Serve Lamination: Available at all library locations to protect your documents

Computing and Internet Access

- Borrow Laptops: Laptops and MacBooks available
- Public Access Computers: Available at Main and Beaty branches with internet access.
- Wireless Access: Free Wi-Fi throughout our facilities.



E-Resources

- Online Books, Audiobooks, and More: Available 24/7, log in with your library card from anywhere to start exploring.
- Learning Tools and Databases: Enhance your skills or start new projects with our extensive collection of digital tools.

Programs for All Ages

- Early Literacy Programs: From birth to age 5, engage your little ones with programs that build early skills.
- Programs for Teens, Adults, and Seniors: Join us for workshops, book clubs, and special events designed for every age group.
- Adult and Senior Programs: Participate in senior socials, skill-building workshops, new comer workshops and cultural events designed for adults and seniors.



Upcoming Closures

- Monday, July 1: Canada Day
- Monday, August 5: Civic Holiday
- Monday, September 2: Labour Day
- Monday, September 30: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Scan here for
our full program
calendar:



Hours	Main Library	Sherwood Branch	Beaty Branch
	1010 Main Street East	6355 Main Street West	945 Fourth Line
Mon	9:30 am - 9:00 pm	9:30 am - 9:00 pm	CLOSED
Tues - Thurs	9:30 am - 9:00 pm	9:30 am - 9:00 pm	10:00 am - 9:00 pm
Fri - Sat	9:30 am - 5:00 pm	9:30 am - 5:00 pm	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sun	9:30 am - 5:00 pm	9:30 am - 5:00 pm	CLOSED

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