



September-October 2024

Program & Event Guide

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All Ages

Location Legend

- M Main Branch
- C Crossings Branch
- Online
- Other location

Box Office Tuesday

Escape the weekday grind with a free movie night, complete with popcorn! All ages are welcome. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Films will be shown with closed captions.

- Sept. 3 | *American Society of Magical Negroes* (2024, PG)
- Sept. 10 | *Challengers* (2023, 14A)
- Sept. 17 | *One Life* (2024, PG)
- Sept. 24 | *Dream Scenario* (2023, 14A)
- Oct. 1 | *Iron Claw* (2024, 14A)
- Oct. 8 | *Arthur the King* (2024, PG)
- Oct. 22 | *American Fiction* (2023, 14A)
- Oct. 29 | *The Boys in the Boat* (2023, PG)

M **Tuesdays | 5:45 p.m.**

Give Physical Literacy a Go!

Lakeview Park has beautiful amenities for you to use with our physical literacy equipment. Play soccer or baseball, or go for a walk with our walking poles! Come try out our collection.

Sept. 3, 10, 17 & 24 | 1 - 2:30 p.m.
Lakeview Bookmobile Stop

Library Program Showcase

M September will feature the work of Eugene Hairy Bull. October's showcase will include 3D printed assistive devices and fun items. The showcase is located near the Piitoyiss (Eagle's Nest) area.

National Grandparents' Day



Grandparents with their grandchildren are invited to enjoy a variety of activities using the Library of Things collection in the Piitoyis (Eagle's Nest) area.

M **September 8 | 2 - 4 p.m.**

Sensory Friendly Browsing

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

M **Saturdays | 10-11 a.m.**



Sept. 3 - Oct. 31 Bookmobile Schedule

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays
5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Sunridge Community	1 - 2:30 p.m. Lakeview Elementary School	1 - 2:15 p.m. Dr. Gerald B. Probe Elementary School
No Service: September 2 September 30 October 14	2:45 - 4:15 p.m. Dr. Robert Plaxton Elementary School	2:30 - 4:15 p.m. Nicholas Sheran Elementary School
	5 - 7:20 p.m. Tudor Estates	5 - 7:30 p.m. St. Patrick Elementary School
Thursdays	Fridays (alternating)	Saturdays
1 - 2:15 p.m. Senator Buchanan School	12 - 3:30, 4 - 5 p.m. Coalhurst Elementary School	9:45 a.m. - 12 p.m. Henderson Lake Park
2:30 - 4:30 p.m. Galbraith Elementary School	Sept. 13 & 27 Oct. 11 & 25	1:15 - 3:40 p.m. Chinook Park
5:15 - 7:20 p.m. Elizabeth McKillop Park		

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Art Gallery

Ahkameyimo – Never Give Up

The travelling exhibition Ahkameyimo - Never Give Up features the work of two Indigenous artists whose works, while respecting traditional culture and visual imagery, also engage with the urban environment in which they reside. This exhibition features art works by Matthew Cardinal and Lonigan Gilbert.

M **Oct. 10 - Nov. 6**



Children

Babes in the Library (ages 0 - 18M)

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

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

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

Chill Art Afternoon: For Tweens

Join us for a fun afternoon using art as a tool for self-care and expression! This program is a drop-in, self directed activity designed for ages 9-12.

M Oct. 20 | 2:30 - 4 p.m.

Family Roots

Family Roots: Empowering grandparents, caregivers, and grandchildren to create lasting bonds and support each other.

Join us for a fun craft, games and a chance to connect with others who share your role in nurturing the next generation. Registration required.

M Oct. 25 | 2 - 4 p.m.

Infant Massage

Learn the nurturing touch of Infant Massage with your babe under 8 months in this 4-session class. Call South Region Parents as Teachers to register: 403-320-5983

M Oct. 3, 10, 17 & 24 | 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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Kids Adventure Club

Children ages 6-10 create games full of adventure, where they can solve mysteries, confront bad guys, and say "no thank you" to evil! All you need to bring is your imagination! Registration required.



M Oct. 4, 11, 18, & 25 | 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Lethbridge Babywearing

Learn how to safely babywear! Try a variety of carriers and receive expert advice. Explore the benefits of safe babywearing and connect with others.

C Sept. 12 & Oct. 10 | 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Maker Afternoons

Children ages 5 and up accompanied by their caregivers can build, experiment, and play with a wide range of STEAM activities.

M Oct. 16 | 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Oinks Puppet Show

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

M Sept. 4 & Oct. 2 | 1:30 - 2 p.m.

Outdoor Adventure Play

The natural elements of our Millennium Garden inspire active and creative outdoor play for all ages. Dress for the weather. This is a drop-in event.

M Oct. 23 | 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Parent Connect

Connect with other parents and caregivers in your community over a cup of coffee and a light snack. Children welcome.

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

Paws & Pages: Where Kids Read to Pets!

Children can foster reading skills and kindness towards animals in a fun and memorable way by reading aloud to our furry friends. Sign up now and watch your child's love for reading grow with Paws & Pages!

M Sept. 28 & Oct. 26 | 1 - 3 p.m.



Rainbow Connection

This drop-in kids' GSA is a safe and respectful space for LGBTQ2S+ kids and allies to make friends, build community, do fun activities and eat snacks! Open to kids in Grade 3-6.

M Oct. 4 | 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Spooky Scientist's Halloween

Mix up some slime, design a spooky monster, and learn about spooky scientists this Halloween! Drop-in event for kids 5+ with their caregivers.

C Oct. 25 | 5 - 7 p.m.



Stories and Stuff (ages 3 - 5Y)

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

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

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

Time for Twos (ages 18M - 2Y)

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

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

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

Tween Scene

Tweens in grades 4-6 participate in fun afternoons of crafts, games, and activities with other great kids! Registration opens September 4.

C Sept. 13 & 27, Oct. 11 & 25
2:30 - 4 p.m.

Teens

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Big Screen Video Games

Giant Mario Kart. Epic Smash Bros. Enormous Tricky Towers. Drop in to play video games on our movie screen and win prizes.

M Sept. 13 & Oct. 11 | 3 - 5 p.m.

D&D for Teens

Set out on an epic adventure with Dungeons & Dragons! No experience required - our expert DMs will teach you everything you need to know to play. Pre-registration is required and opens two weeks before the start of each round.

 **Wednesdays | 6 - 8 p.m.**
YMCA | 74 Mauretania Rd W
 **Online groups**

Lunchtime Clothes Swap

Bring any clean clothes you no longer wear, and take home some new looks!



C Sept. 17 - 19 | 11a.m. - 12 p.m.

OUT @ the Library



Be part of our community GSA, presented in partnership with OUTreach Southern Alberta! Join other Lethbridge and area teens for an evening of fun - with snacks and queer book giveaways!

September 6: Bookish Show & Tell
October 4: Board Game Fun

C Sept. 6 & Oct. 4 | 6 - 8 p.m.

Teen Advisory Group

Make a difference at the library! The library's Teen Advisory Group (TAG) meets with our Teenbrarian to discuss teen programs and collections, and how to make the library better for youth.

C Sept. 17 & Oct. 15 | 4 - 5 p.m.

Teen Book Club

Meet up with other teen readers to talk about what you've read this month! Each month has a genre or theme - but you can pick whatever you want to read as long as you think it fits. Plus: treat bags for everyone who comes to the meeting!

September 27: nonfiction, true stories
October 25: fantasy and fairy tales

C Sept. 27 & Oct. 25 | 4 - 5 p.m.

Donations and legacy gifts!

The Friends of the LPL exist to partner with the Lethbridge Public Library. Our primary goals are to advocate for the Lethbridge Public Library and to raise funds for special projects, programming, and services for the LPL whether it is the Main branch or the Crossings. The Friends have partnered with the LPL for over 30 years and have raised well over \$1 Million dollars much to the benefit of the patrons of the library. We are proud of the resources and programs that all branches offer to residents of Lethbridge and Southern Alberta; we are certain that everyone can find something of benefit at the library.

How can you be a part of this fantastic resource? In support of the LPL, we actively search for volunteers to help with fundraising initiatives. Donations of library materials which can be used for our book sales throughout the year are essential for bringing people into the library. There are also ways to help with the book sale at the Word on the Street. If you have books to donate, consider donating them; we would gladly accept them.

Legacy gifts are another way to help the library. Legacy gifts are where those who believe in the value of libraries allocate a portion of their estate to the Friends. We have received some legacy gifts and appreciate your thoughtfulness. If you prefer to make cash donations to the Friends, we are willing to take those as well.

Thank you to all who support and use the library resources!

Vic Mensch
Chair of the Friends



Teen programs are open to those in grades 7-12

	Lethbridge Herald Author Stage	Canadian Heritage Author Stage	Words in Motion Stage	Teen Zone Stage	University of Lethbridge Bookstore Tent Signings	Sopoksisotsti Indigenous Knowledge Stage	Music Stage	hoopla Digital Kids' Zone Stage	
11:15 - 12:00	Stephan Legault <i>High Cols & Deep Canyons: Ordinary Adventures in Extraordinary Places</i>	Jonathan Whitelaw <i>The Concert Hall Killer</i>	Finnian Burnett <i>Flash Fiction in a Flash</i>	Gitz Crazyboy <i>The Rez Doctor</i>		TBA	11:00 - Opening blessing with Blackfoot Elder Francis First Charger, followed by Blackfoot dancers	11:15 - 12:00	Story Time with Tad and Tomo
12:00 - 12:45	Iona Whishaw <i>Lightning Strikes the Silence: A Lane Winslow Mystery</i>	Meaghan Hackinen <i>Shifting Gears: Coast to Coast on the Trans Am Bike Race</i>	Wordbridge Writers at the Improv	Victoria Koops <i>Who We Are In Real Life</i>	Finnian Burnett Gitz Crazyboy Stephen Legault Jonathan Whitelaw	Brittany Lee & Family Métis Jigging	Lady Grime	12:00 - 12:45	Marie-Louise Gay <i>Walking Trees</i>
1:00 - 1:45	Arounna Khounnoraj <i>Visible Mending: Repair, Renew, Reuse the Clothes You Love</i>	Anna Marie Sewell <i>Urbane</i>	David Kootnikoff Zine Workshop	Kristen Ciccarelli <i>Crimson Moth</i>	Marie-Louise Gay Meaghan Hackinen Victoria Koops Iona Whishaw	Pearl Long Time Squirrel <i>Sacred Bird - Naatoyipi'kssi</i>	Improv with Theatre Outré	12:45 - 1:30	Arley Nopra <i>Claudia and the Bad Joke</i>
2:00 - 2:45	Karen E. Fisher <i>Zaatari: Culinary Traditions of the World's Largest Syrian Refugee Camp</i>	Lorne Fitch <i>Travels Up the Creek: A Biologist's Search for a Paddle</i>	Anna Marie Sewell Songs and Poems of Peace Workshop	Li Charmaine Anne <i>Crash Landing</i>	Kristen Ciccarelli Arounna Khounnoraj Arley Nopra Pearl Long Time Squirrel	Wyatt David Youth Presenter	Audio Smith	1:30 - 2:15	Danny Ramadan <i>Salma Joins The Team</i>
3:00 - 3:45	Danny Ramadan <i>Crooked Teeth: A Queer Syrian Refugee Memoir</i>	Dallas Hunt <i>Teeth</i>	New West Theatre Playwriting Workshop	K.A. Cobell <i>Looking for Smoke</i>	Éric Dupont Karen E. Fisher Lorne Fitch Li Charmaine Anne Trina Rathgeber Anna-Marie Sewell Natalie Sue	William Singer III Traditional Plant Medicine	Astrology Girl	2:15 - 3:00	Trina Rathgeber <i>Lost at Windy River: A True Story of Survival</i>
4:00 - 4:45	Natalie Sue <i>I Hope This Finds You Well</i>	Éric Dupont <i>Rosa's Very Own Personal Revolution</i>	Comics Jam with Eric Dyck	Teen Writing Contest Winners	K.A. Cobell Dallas Hunt M.T. Khan Danny Ramadan	TBA	Musaeus	3:00 - 3:45	MT Khan <i>Amir and the Jinn Princess</i>
								4:00 - 4:45	Kids' Crafts

Adult

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Between the Covers Book Club

Lovers of romance reads meet monthly for a lively discussion on all things romance.

C Sept. 5 & Oct. 3 | 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Braille Literacy

Information session presented by an ambassador from CNIB.

C Sept. 26 | 6 - 7 p.m.

M Oct. 12 | 1 - 2 p.m.

Dancing Group

Meets in the Piitoyis (Eagle's Nest) area. Each week will cover a different style of dance, with guest presenters teaching every move. Full details at lethlib.ca/events.

M Oct 7 & 21 | 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Definitely Not Plato Book Club

Lethbridge's oldest book clubs offers discussion and light refreshments.

Sept. 9 | *People of the Book* - Geraldine Brooks

Oct. 7 | *Runaway* - Alice Munro

M Sept. 9 & Oct. 7 | 6 p.m.

Flights of Fantasy

Calling all science fiction and fantasy authors! Come join the Flights of Fantasy writing club.



C Sept. 12 & Oct. 10 | 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Friday Night Movies

You'll love these movies based on books! Films will be shown with subtitles when available, and we'll have popcorn for the audience!

Sept. 6 | *French Exit* (2021, 14A)

Sept. 13 | *Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret* (2023, PG)

Sept. 27 | *On the Come Up* (2022, PG-13)

Oct. 4 | *Three Thousand Years of Longing* (2022, 14A)


Oct. 11 | *Last Voyage of the Demeter* (2023, 14A)

C Fridays | 6 - 8 p.m.

International Movie Night

Join us for movies in different languages! Popcorn/pop available by donation to the Southern Alberta Ethnic Association.

Oct. 18 | *Hotel Salvation* (2018, NR, Hindi)

 **Oct. 18 | 7 p.m.**
SAEA | 421 6 Ave S

Lethbridge & District Horticultural Society

Sept. 23 | Bulb Planting

Johanna Fraser will discuss different types of bulbs and when and how to plant them in the fall.

October 28 | Water Usage

Oldman River Watershed Council Executive Director Shannon Frank will review 2024 water usage and offer insights about what to expect in the years ahead.

M Sept. 23 & Oct. 28 | 6:30 p.m.



Lethbridge Historical Society

Check our events calendar for upcoming monthly presentations.

M Sept. 24 & Oct. 22 | 6:30 p.m.

Makerspace Monday

Learn a new skill in our Makerspace! In September, design your own custom tote and pin-back buttons. In October, create a graveyard terrarium with 3D-printed decor. Registration required.

M Sept. 16 & Oct. 21 | 6 - 7:30 p.m.

NFB Viewings

Join us for the following films from the National Film Board.

Sept. 9 | *Truth and Reconciliation Compilation* featuring:

- *Mary Two-Axe Earley: I am Indian Again*
- *Honour To Senator Murray Sinclair*
- *Stories are in Our Bones*

Oct. 7 | *Undertaker for Life! / Croque-mort. C'est beau la vie!*
French with English subtitles

M Sept. 9 & Oct. 7 | 5:30 p.m.

Orange Shirt Awareness Walk

Meet at our Main Branch for an awareness walk to Galt Gardens and back in recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Followed by refreshments and an open mic session for interested participants who would like to express themselves through poem, book reading, music, song and/or share their experiences of residential schools and their inter-generational impacts.

M Sept. 29 | 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

OUT on the Big Screen

A monthly movie night in partnership with OUTreach Southern Alberta, featuring queer films on the big screen. Films will be shown with subtitles when available, and we'll have popcorn for the audience!

Sept. 20 | *Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe* (2022, 14A)

Oct. 18 | *Queercore: How to Punk a Revolution* (2017, MA)

C Sept. 20 & Oct. 18 | 6 p.m.

Puzzle Race

Your mission is to solve three 1000-piece puzzles as fast as possible over a series of sessions! Register in groups of 1 - 6 to compete. Fastest puzzlers win a prize!

M Tuesdays | 6 p.m.

Reading Rainbow Book Club

Join us for our Queer BYOB (bring your own book) club.

Sept. 16 | Queer BIPOC authors

Oct. 21 | Queer bio/autobiographies

M Sept. 16 & Oct. 21 | 6:30 p.m.

Silent Book Club

Bring your own book for an hour of quiet group reading. At the end of the hour, attendees can socialize - or not!

C Sept. 6 & 20, Oct. 4 & 25 | 6:30 p.m.



Sit 'n Stitch

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

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

Speed Friending

Do you find it difficult to find new friends? Similar to speed dating, Speed Friending is for people looking to make new friends. Join us for fun conversations, make new friends and enjoy a welcoming atmosphere. Registration required.

M Ages 55+ | Sept. 7 | 2 p.m.

C Ages 18-30 | Oct. 5 | 2 p.m.



The Book Dragons Book Club

Adult fans of Young Adult novels meet monthly to discuss them.

Sept. 26 | Canadian Authors

Oct. 24 | TBA

C Sept. 26 & Oct. 24 | 6:45 - 7:45 p.m.

Wise Owls Pub Quiz

Our epic pub quiz happens the third Thursday every month. The winning team takes home a bag of library swag and the season champions get a fancy trophy and their name on the Wise Owls plaque of honour.

Maximum of six people to a team.

Tables fill up quickly, so arrive early to guarantee a spot!

📍 Sept. 19 & Oct. 17 | 8 - 10 p.m.
Owl Acoustic Lounge | 606 3 Ave S

CELEBRATE cookbook month IN SEPTEMBER

Visit the library this month for information on how to enter to win one of three cookbook bundles!



*One entry per person. Winners will be drawn on October 1. There will be one winner in each of these categories: adult, teen, and child.

Cook the Book Club

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

Visit lethlib.ca/events to see the monthly themes and register.

M Sept. 29 & Oct. 27 | 1 - 2 p.m.



Read On Adult Literacy & Learning



Register for Read On Classes

All Read On classes require registration. To sign up for any Read On classes, scan this QR code or visit our website. Or, sign up in person at the Read On department located in our Main Branch.

Not sure which class is best for you? Ask our Read On staff!

📞 403-320-4701 ✉️ readon@lethlib.ca

Book Talk

Get together to read or listen to stories and share the meaning you find in them. \$30.

M Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 | 2-3 p.m.

Computer Basics

Need assistance using a computer? Read On is offering a digital literacy class for people who would like to become more familiar with technology. \$30.

M Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31 | 2-4 p.m.

Writing Basics

Learn to improve your writing for everyday tasks such as sending emails, filling out forms, and more. \$60.

M Oct. 7, 21, & 28 | 6-7:30 p.m.

Test Preparation

CELPIP

Prepare to take the CELPIP Listening and Speaking test. \$40.

📶 Online class hosted on Zoom
Oct. 3, 10, 17 & 24 | 6-8 p.m.

IELTS Test Preparation

Prepare for the reading and writing modules of the IELTS General Test. Contact Read On for more information.

Pre-CAEC

The Canadian Adult Education Credential (CAEC) is for adults who do not have high school diploma. Preparation includes five hours each week of self-study and one hour each week with a tutor for extra help. Contact Read On for more information.

Conversation Classes

For English Language Learners who want to improve communication skills, increase vocabulary, and be more comfortable speaking. Our staff can help you select the class best for your current ability and goals.

Beginner Conversation Club

Learn about life in Canada and improve your grammar and vocabulary. \$30.

C Oct. 7, 21, & 28 | 10:15-11:45 a.m.

Building Speaking Skills

Learn the culturally accepted way to speak in Canada, and improve your grammar and vocabulary. \$30.

📍 SAEA | 421 6th Ave S Lethbridge
Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 | 6-7:30 p.m.

Creative Conversations

Experience Canadian Culture through creative expression, storytelling, and art. \$50.

📍 Casa | 230 8 St S Lethbridge
Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 | 1-2:30 p.m.

Intermediate Conversation Club

Discussions and class activities will be based on light and fun news articles. \$30.

C Oct. 3, 10, 17 & 24 | 6-7:30 p.m.

Canadian Conversation Essentials

Improve communication skills and increase your vocabulary. \$30.

M Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 |
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Speechcraft

Write and present speeches, and learn speaking techniques from Coulee Commentators Toastmasters members. Contact Read On for more information.



Skills Assessment Find out what your reading, writing, math, or communication levels are.

One-on-One Tutoring Our tutors assist with reading, writing, and math.

Read On Book Collection Books at low reading levels including fiction, non-fiction, bilingual dictionaries, workbooks, and more.

Contact Read On at **403-320-4701** or readon@lethlib.ca for more information.



FALL

Back Into Reading

This September, teens and adults can track their reading minutes on Beanstack to earn limited-edition challenge badges.

Kids can also collect Dragon Reading Club cards by reaching their own reading goals! Challenge tracking forms can be picked up at the Crossings Branch.


Everyone who completes the Fall Back Into Reading challenge will be entered into a draw on September 30 for prize packs! There will be one for kids, one for teens, and one for adults.

Be sure to watch out for the upcoming Hallow-Reads challenge in October, where hitting your reading goals will earn you spooky Beanstack badges!


Dragon Reading Club Challenges

Earn new Dragon Reading Cards each month by completing fun challenges. Ask our Crossings Branch staff for more details.



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Bookmobile

Recorded schedule call
403-320-4230

Holiday Closures

Monday, September 2
Monday, September 30
Monday, October 14

 **beanstack**
lethlib.beanstack.com

A free app to track reading, complete challenges and help achieve reading goals. Create an account for yourself or for your family today!