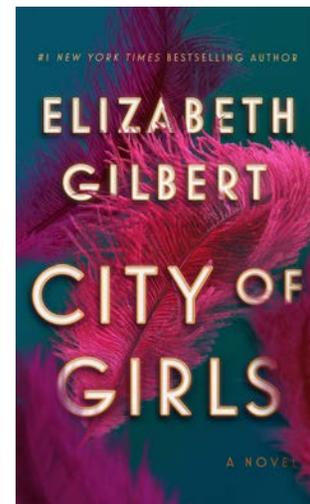
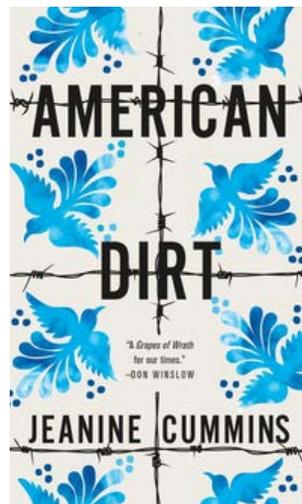
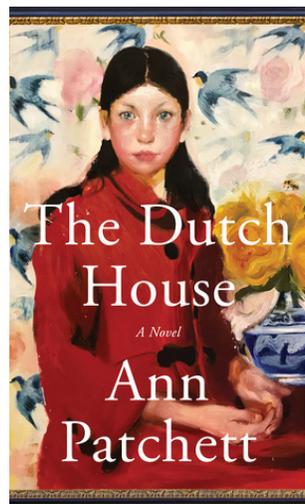
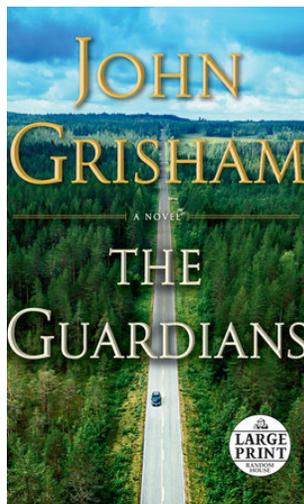
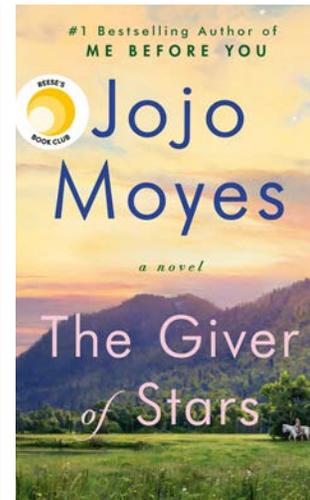
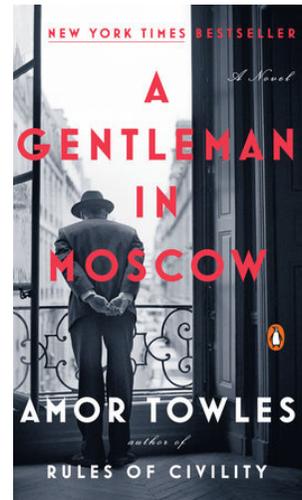
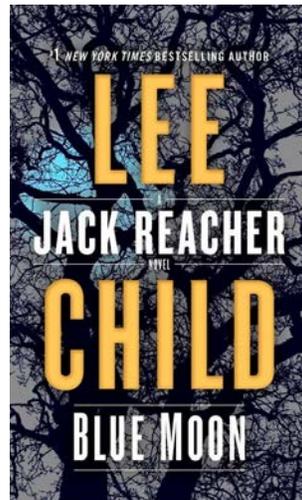
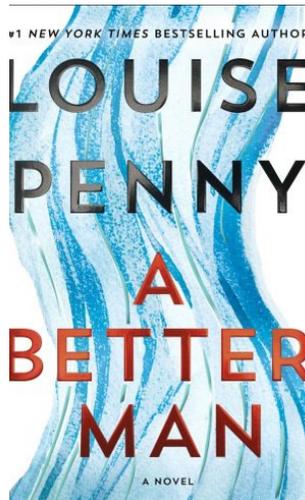
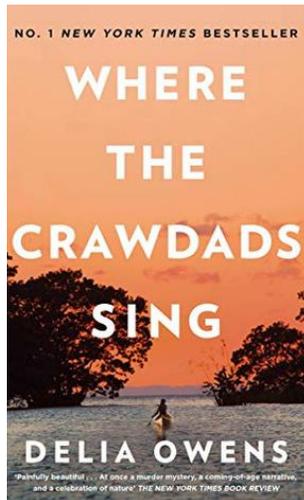


# THE BLUE MOUNTAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY LIBRARY NEWS

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## BMPL's Top Titles of 2020

BMPL's most popular titles of 2020 were mysteries, thrillers and historical fiction written by some of our favourite authors: Louise Penny, Lee Child, John Grisham, Jojo Moyes, Ann Patchett and Elizabeth Gilbert. They allowed us to visit with some of our favourite people, including Jack Reacher, Chief Inspector Armand Gamache, and former First Lady Michelle Obama.

The biggest change this year is not what we read, but how. Many of us read these popular titles in print and listened to them on CD audio book, but in 2020, even more people downloaded and streamed them through our online platforms OverDrive and Hoopla.

There has never been a better time to try out eBooks and digital audio books. Visit our [Virtual Branch](#) and browse the collections.

Click the links below to see the Top 10 titles in our catalogue:

1. [Where the Crawdads Sing / Delia Owens \(2018\)](#).
2. [A Better Man / Louise Penny \(2019\)](#).
3. [Blue Moon / Lee Child \(2019\)](#).
4. [A Gentleman in Moscow / Amor Towles \(2016\)](#).
5. [The Giver of Stars / Jojo Moyes \(2019\)](#).
6. [The Guardians / John Grisham \(2019\)](#).
7. [The Dutch House / Ann Patchett \(2019\)](#).
8. [American Dirt / Jeanine Cummins \(2020\)](#).
9. [Becoming / Michelle Obama \(2018\)](#).
10. [City of Girls / Elizabeth Gilbert \(2019\)](#).

# Craigleith Heritage Depot

## Explore Indigenous History and Culture in the New Year

With Winter Solstice behind us and a new year upon us, 2021 is sure to bring a fresh start. From Dec. 21 – Dec. 29, Heather McIntyre, Aninshinaabe Indigenous Life and Wellness Coach, guided us through “7 Days of Connection – A Journey To Create” which incorporated the Seven Grandfather Teachings into daily five minute reflections leading towards the Big Spirit Moon Gathering, all with the goal to recharge and reconnect as we move into a new year.



Watch REEL History videos in our new online exhibit

**Indigenous History and Culture**  
Resources connected to Indigenous history and culture of The Blue Mountains and beyond

### Collections

- Ceramic Artefacts**  
Explore local indigenous ceramic artefacts from Craigleith Heritage Depot's museum collection  
Included in the Anthology: Indigenous History and Culture  
COLLECTION
- Stone & Bone Artefacts**  
Explore local indigenous stone and bone artefacts from Craigleith Heritage Depot's museum collection  
Included in the Anthology: Indigenous History and Culture  
COLLECTION
- Museum Exhibits**  
Enjoy some of our current and past museum exhibits at Craigleith Heritage Depot  
Included in the Anthology: Indigenous History and Culture  
COLLECTION
- Museum Archives**  
Explore records from Craigleith Heritage Depot's Archives regarding local Indigenous history  
Included in the Anthology: Indigenous History and Culture  
COLLECTION
- BMPL Video / Audio Resources**  
Explore video and audio resources found at the Blue Mountains Public Library branches and virtual branch.  
Included in the Anthology: Indigenous History and Culture  
COLLECTION

Indigenous History and Culture: a new online exhibit

If you missed Heather's videos on our social media channels, you can view the complete series in their permanent home with a new online exhibit. Check out the [Virtual Museum on our website](#) and look for [Indigenous History and Culture](#).

As well as Heather's videos teachings in the new online exhibit you will also find artifact images from the Craigleith Heritage Depot collection, REEL History's videos: Indigenous History and Pathway, reading ideas for books found at the Blue Mountains Public Library for both adults and youth, helpful Indigenous Resource website links, and other full-text online resources in the public domain.

The Blue Mountains Public Library and Craigleith Heritage Depot recognize the First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples of Canada as the traditional stewards of the land. The municipality of The Town of The Blue Mountains is located within the boundary of Treaty 18 region of 1818 which is the traditional land of the Anishnaabek, Haudenosaunee and Wendat-Wyandot-Wyandotte peoples.

For those who have already discovered the gems in your [Virtual Museum](#), check back often for new additions. This February you can also look for links to the next exciting launch of two new REEL History films focused on fossils and the Niagara Escarpment!

# Programs

The Blue Mountains Public Library is wishing you a very happy New Year! Beat winter boredom with some fun boredom busters on our [Things To Do At Home](#) page.

[BMPL Facebook @TheBlueMountainsLibrary](#)

[BMPL Instagram @bmplibrary](#)

[CHD Facebook @CraigleithDepot](#)

[CHD Twitter @CraigleithDepot](#)

[YouTube: The Blue Mountains Public Library](#)

## Seniors Exercise with Sharon

**MONDAYS** 10am BMPL Facebook

Exercise with Sharon on Facebook

## #MuseumFromHome Mondays

**MONDAYS** 12:30pm CHD Facebook / Twitter

Start your week with highlights and the history of objects in the CHD's collection.



## Cluesday Tuesday

**TUESDAYS** 12:00pm CHD Facebook / Twitter

Solve some mysteries or test your knowledge with photos from the CHD archives collection.

## The Kids Clubhouse

Tuesdays 4:30pm BMPL YouTube

Engaging and interactive activities, crafts, puzzles and more. Weekly activity packs will be available for children registered in the program that they can create through the week at their own pace or by following along to a video shared on YouTube. Session 2 runs from Jan 12 to Mar 9.

## Bedtime Story Time

**WEDNESDAYS** 7pm BMPL Facebook / YT

Jen will be reading quiet stories to put your family in the mood for dreamland.

## Craigleith Book Club

Wednesday, Jan 16 at 6:30pm on Zoom.

Book: [The Alice Network](#) by Kate Quinn

## Wired Wednesday

**WEDNESDAYS** 1pm BMPL Facebook / YT

Ashley discusses library resources and tech

Jan 6 - Biblioboard CHD Exhibits

Jan 13 - Clouds: What are they?

Jan 20 - Your Google account?

Jan 27 - Online Newspapers and Magazines

## Digital Book Club

**THURSDAYS** 1pm BMPL Facebook

Let's talk books! What are you reading?

## Local Historical Fact or Fiction

**THURSDAYS** 10am CHD Facebook / IG

Take a crack at trying to guess what's true and what's not local edition! Learn something new or check your own knowledge on local history!

## Virtual Story Time

**FRIDAYS** 11am BMPL Facebook

Watch from the comfort of your own home.

Ages 0-5 yrs or anyone who likes a good story.

## Trivia Game Night

**FRIDAYS** 7:00pm BMPL Facebook

Answer trivia questions and compete for the top-spot on our scoreboard.

## Favourite Fossils

**FRIDAYS** 5pm CHD Facebook & Twitter

Explore the ancient past through photos of our staff's favourite fossils in the museum collection. Share your own photos of your favourite fossils with us!

## Depot Scavenger Hunt

**ALL MONTH** at CHD Exterior Windows

Each month a new outdoor scavenger hunt will go up! Test your eyes and see if you can find all the hidden items!

## #WeSeeYou

Monday, Jan 11 on BMPL social media

Help bridge the gap between individuals living in remote Indigenous communities and the rest of Canada by helping to fill boxes with activities for families. We see Indigenous Communities! We See You!

## Pop-up Seed Library

January 21-27th at L.E. Shore Library

Gather wildflower seeds native to Ontario at the Pop-up Seed Library by eARTh Revival. Seeds are free along with germination guides. Help protect our beautiful natural landscape and support pollinators.

## Teen Group

Thursday January 14, 5pm on Zoom

Earn community service hours, provide feedback on the library collections all while doing fun activities. Grade 9 - 12.

## Teen De-stress with Inner Yogies

Friday, January 22nd 7pm BMPL Instagram

De-stress with Inner Yogies. Shikha will guide you through breathing exercises, yoga poses and relaxation techniques.

## Family Literacy Day

Wednesday, January 27th on BMPL social media

Celebrate the importance of raising a reader! Read a book that travels the world, or register for a special event with Barbara Reid. There's lots of ways to celebrate Family Literacy Day! See our Event Calendar for more details.

## Starting Your Native Seeds

Tuesday, January 26th 7pm BMPL Zoom

Learn about the benefits of using native seeds in your gardens, and how to get them blooming in the spring. A presentation by eARTh Revival. Register now.

## Tween Advisory Group (TWAG)

Thursday, January 28th 7pm BMPL Zoom

Join TWAG and have your say! Monthly meetings will feature an interactive maker kit where tweens can make, explore and lead, and other tween-led activities. Registration required for grades 6-8. Meetings will be every 4th Thursday of the month!



## Service Updates

As we all enter our second lockdown of this pandemic, your BMPL is here to continue offering our services. [Curbside Pickup](#) has been reinstated at both branches during our pandemic hours of operation. Please visit our [Service Updates & COVID-19 page](#) for ongoing updates to our available services. We continue to provide [online programs](#), our [Virtual Museum](#), and [online collections](#). The new Curbside Pickup begins Jan 2 at L.E. Shore and Jan 3 at the Craigleith Heritage Depot. Additionally, to assist those with tech questions, Ashley begins Micro Monday Tech Help in the new year. We will continue to provide excellent programs and services during this time, as we all work together to end this pandemic and keep our community healthy and safe.

Happy New Year!

Dr. Sabrina Saunders and the BMPL Team

## The Gallery

In light of the recent lockdown, we invite everyone to view our specially curated [Virtual Gallery Exhibit](#) to see the 25th Anniversary collection. All items displayed are for sale, please call us or email [TheGallery@TheBlueMountains.ca](mailto:TheGallery@TheBlueMountains.ca) if you are interested in any art or crafts. If you would like to physically view any of the items, you are welcome to attend L.E. Shore during our Pandemic Operational Hours. While you cannot enter the building, we can bring the item of interest to the door. Masks and Contact Tracing is required.

The Arts and Culture Council (ACC) announced an open invitation, Salon Arts and Crafts exhibition, "[Celebrating The Colour Green](#)". All art must be delivered to The Gallery at L.E. Shore on either Friday, January 29 between 10am-5pm or Saturday, January 30th from 10am-4pm. No art will be accepted before or after that date. Again, due to the pandemic, all applicants are encouraged to complete the form offsite via the download or by picking up the paper copy early. If you require a print copy, please come to L.E. Shore during operational hours. For more information on submission, visit [Applying to Exhibit](#).



Leah Denbok, "Peter"

## How to Do Curbside Pickup

Curbside Pickup Resumes Saturday, January 2nd. [Visit our online catalogue to place your holds today.](#)

# Curbside Pickup

Due to the Provincial Lockdown  
BMPL will be moving to Curbside Pickup  
starting January.

Place a Hold on our website, or by phone.  
An email will be sent to you when your materials  
are ready to be picked up.

Curbside Pickup is available at:



### L.E. Shore Library

Mon: Closed  
Tues: 11:00am - 6:00pm  
Wed: 12:00pm - 5:00pm  
Thurs: 11:00am - 6:00pm  
Fri: 12:00pm - 5:00pm  
Sat: 10:00am - 2:00pm  
Sun: Closed

Curbside Pickup Only



### Craigleith Heritage Depot

Mon: Closed  
Tues: 12:00pm - 4:00pm  
Wed: 4:30pm - 7:30pm  
Thurs: 12:00am - 4:00pm  
Fri: Closed  
Sat: Closed  
Sun: 12:00am - 4:00pm

Curbside Pickup Only

Place a Hold Today!  
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(519) 599-3681

Stay Home. Stay Safe.  
#StopTheSpread



BMPL facilities are closed to  
the public at this time.  
Curbside pickup is available.

### L.E. Shore Library

173 Bruce St. S., Thornbury  
[LibraryInfo@TheBlueMountains.ca](mailto:LibraryInfo@TheBlueMountains.ca)

### Curbside Pickup Hours

Tues / Thu: 11am-6pm  
Wed / Fri: 12pm-5pm  
Sat: 10am-2pm  
Sun / Mon: Closed

### Craigleith Heritage Depot

113 Lakeshore Rd. E., Blue Mountains  
[Depot@TheBlueMountains.ca](mailto:Depot@TheBlueMountains.ca)

### Curbside Pickup Hours

Sun / Tues / Thu: 12pm-4pm  
Wed: 4:30pm-7:30pm  
Sat / Mon / Fri: Closed