

THE BLUE MOUNTAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY LIBRARY NEWS

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REEL HISTORY

FILM LAUNCH

The Niagara Escarpment
& Craigleith Fossils

SAT. FEB 13 | 7:00 PM

ONLINE

REEL History Launches Two New Films

Settle in at home Family Day weekend with some popcorn and join us for the film launch of Craigleith Fossils & The Niagara Escarpment, online Saturday February 13 at 7 pm.

The Museum teamed up with local film company, Mountain Goat Films, to create the next two documentaries in our award-winning series "REEL History".

These films were made and produced in The Blue Mountains and explore the area's amazing natural history features. Craigleith Fossils explore the background of our world-renowned fossil beds. The Niagara Escarpment provides insight into this remarkable ecosystem and its value to all who live on or near it, be it floral or fauna.

This hour-long event begins with an introduction to the film series, presents the new documentaries, and is followed by a Q&A with the filmmakers and museum staff.

This event will be on streamed on Crowdcast, Facebook and YouTube. Register now for free at:
<https://www.crowdcast.io/e/reelhistory2021>

A sneak peak of the films is already there online to view, check it out today.

Explore the wonders of natural history with us, from inside your own home! Both films will be made available on the BMPL YouTube channel after the event.

Happy New Year! Happy Programs!

Are you interested in focusing your health in 2021? Are you interested in hearing from your favourite authors? Are you interested in learning more about your hobbies? Well, we've got you covered. Join us as we launch a new Health & Wellness speaker series, where a health professional will discuss health topics and what you can do to stay healthy. February is all about your Cognitive & Brain Health with Naturopathic Doctor, Jennifer, as she shares ways you can keep your brain healthy for years to come. Learn how to keep your brain healthy [via Zoom on Tuesday, February 9th at 7:00pm.](#)



Kate Hilton, bestselling author of "The Hole in the Middle" and "Just Like Family" will be discussing her most recent novel "Better Luck Next Time" at an Author Talk on Saturday, February 13th at 11:00am via Zoom. [Get your invitation to this event when you register.](#)



David T. Chapman returns with part two of Exploring the Birds of Ontario. Discover the beauty of bird watching from the cozy comfort of your home on Thursday, February 18th at 7:00pm via Zoom. [Register to get the Zoom link.](#) See you there!

The Gallery

Upcoming Exhibit

Celebrating the Colour Green has a new date! The Arts and Culture Council (ACC) for The Gallery at L.E. Shore announces an open invitation, Salon Arts and Crafts exhibition. Every year the ACC hosts a salon show where artists may submit to hang in The Gallery and we cover the walls from floor to ceiling with local art. Due to the pandemic, the 2021 Salon Show will open virtually on Monday, February 15th and run through Monday, March 29th with a theme of The Colour Green. All art should meet this theme.

Applying to Show: All interested parties should apply no later than Wednesday, February 10, 2021. [Applications](#) are available for download on our website. These must be submitted electronically to TheGallery@TheBlueMountains.ca prior to deadline. In 2021, up to 2 pieces can be submitted electronically for inclusion in this exhibit, each of which must meet the virtual Conditions to Exhibit listed on the application. All works must be available for purchase and The Gallery charges a 25% commission on all sales.

Submission(s): This is a Virtual Exhibit only. All art for sale must be available to be delivered to the BMPL within 4 days notice, if sold. This show will be 100% virtual and promoted on the BMPL website. For more information on application and submission, visit [Applying to Exhibit](#) on our website.

A green background with white and yellow text. The text reads: 'The Arts & Culture Council Presents Celebrating the Colour Green'. Below this, it says 'Calling Artists' and lists application details: 'Artist may apply inclusion of up to 2 pieces', 'All works must be available for purchase', and 'The Gallery charges a 25% commission in sales'. At the bottom, it says 'REGISTER ONLINE DEADLINE FEB. 10, 2021' and provides contact information: 'TheGallery@TheBlueMountains.ca' and 'TheBlueMountainsLibrary.ca | 519-599-3681'.

Programs

BMPL is getting ready for Family Day! Explore local trails and laugh through family activities all found 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

#MuseumFromHome Mondays

MONDAYS 12:30pm CHD Facebook / Twitter

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

Bedtime Story Time

WEDNESDAYS 7pm BMPL Facebook / YT

Wired Wednesday

WEDNESDAYS 1pm BMPL Facebook / YT

Feb 3 - Fitbits

Feb 10 - Online Dating for Seniors

Feb 17 - Print from home to the Library

Feb 24 - Mindfulness Apps

Digital Book Club

THURSDAYS 1pm BMPL Facebook

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

Trivia Game Night

FRIDAYS 7:00pm BMPL Facebook

Favourite Fossils

FRIDAYS 5pm CHD Facebook & Twitter

Explore the ancient past through staff's favourite fossils in the museum collection.

Depot Scavenger Hunt

ALL MONTH at CHD Exterior Windows

Each month a new outdoor scavenger hunt will go up!

Exploring the Birds on Ontario II

Thursday February 18th 7:00pm BMPL Zoom

David T. Chapman presents part two of

Exploring the Birds of Ontario. Everything from small backyard visitors to some of the largest birds in Ontario. Enhance your birding experience when you register for this event.



Among Us - Teen Game Night

Friday February 5th 6:00pm BMPL Zoom

Join us for a fun and competitive night of "Among Us!" where crew mates win by completing tasks and figuring out who the Imposter is! Download the game ahead of time on your computer, tablet or smartphone. Register now to participate.

Teen Group

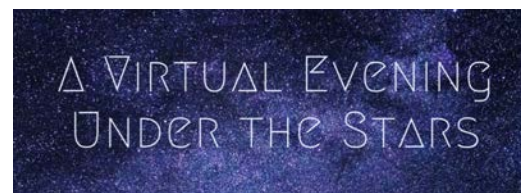
Thursday February 11th 5:00pm BMPL Zoom

Be part of the Teen Group and steer the direction of library programs, collections and services for teens and youth. Earn community service hours and do fun activities.

Cognitive Brain Health - Health & Wellness Series

Tuesday, February 9th 7:00pm BMPL Zoom

Learn about the importance of keeping your brain healthy and how to improve your brain's cognition. Join guest speaker Jennifer, Naturopathic Doctor, as she speaks about the importance of brain health. Register now to get your invitation to the event.



A Virtual Evening Under the Stars

Thursday February 11th 7:00pm BMPL Zoom

Observe the night sky and look through the telescope with local astronomer Ian for a virtual tour of the winter skies. From under the stars to your warm comfy chair, Ian will share his telescope view with you for a full-colour view of the night skies. Register now to attend this event.

Author Talk with Kate Hilton

Saturday February 13th 11:00am BMPL Zoom

Kate Hilton visits the library online to discuss her most recent novel "Better Luck Next Time". Read her other bestselling books at the library. Registrants will receive a link to the author talk.

Family Yoga with Inner Yogies

Monday February 15th 10:00am Instagram

Celebrate Family Day with a fun family style yoga session with Inner Yogies. Open to all ages and skill levels. Visit our Instagram page to join in the family fun!

Tween Advisory Group (TWAG)

Thursday, Feb 25th 7pm BMPL Zoom





Over 3,000 Popular eMagazines Now Available through OverDrive

Exciting news! We have moved our digital magazines from RBdigital to the Libby app. You will continue to be able to browse, borrow, and enjoy all the same great magazines (and many more!) through Libby app or your desktop computer.

Digital magazines have no wait lists or holds, do not count towards checkout limits and provide readers the option to renew their selections. BMPL patrons can also download magazines to Libby for offline use. Readers can browse lists of magazines within the app and search by format to find available titles. Two years of back issues are also available.

How do I access OverDrive eMagazines?

If you are currently using the Libby or OverDrive app, you'll see a new curated collection called **Magazines**.

For new users, visit our [OverDrive page](#) to browse, checkout and read on your computer's browser, or download the Libby app to your mobile device. You'll need to know your 14-digit library card number. That's it!

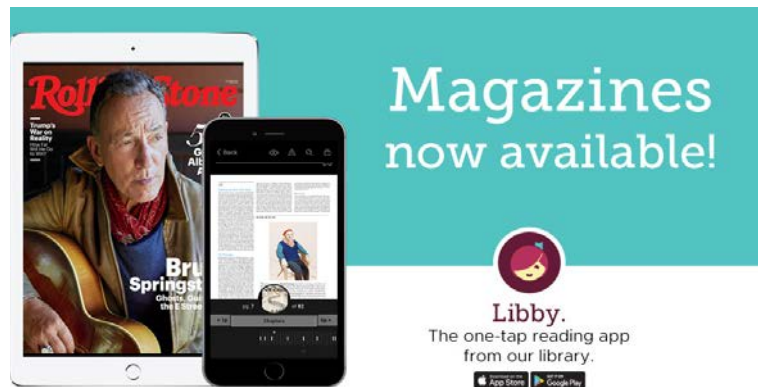
How do I get help if I need it?

The [OverDrive Help page](#) has instructions and helpful videos. You can also email us at librarytech@thebluemountains.ca and we'll help you out. An upcoming episode of Wired Wednesday will also be dedicated to eMagazines: **Watch Wired Wednesday with Ashley on Wednesday, February 3rd at 12:45pm on Facebook.** The video will also be posted to our [YouTube channel](#).

Board Corner

At the last Board Meeting, the BMPL Board decided to continue to live stream on Facebook and post to YouTube the Board meetings which occur during the time we are unable to meet face to face. The January 21st meeting has already had 111 views on Facebook and another 12 on YouTube. Members of the public are encouraged to join us live or watch later. Additionally, anyone who would like to make a deputation or are interested in providing public input on the agenda, can contact the CEO for details.

The Board has adjusted the regular agenda for the duration of the pandemic. The agenda now includes these larger discussions which use to occur in committee, and now occur with the full board. These are broken into the four goals of the BMPL 2018-2022 Strategic Plan: Communication, Organizational Capacity, Vibrant Spaces, and Service Excellence.



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

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

Curbside Pickup Hours

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