

THE BLUE MOUNTAINS PUBLIC LIBRARY LIBRARY NEWS



Find the Spirit of the Holidays at the Library

From art shows to carols to Olde Fashioned Christmas, the L.E. Shore Library is hosting a variety of holiday events for all ages. Check the Event Calendar on our website for details.

Kicking off the holiday season is the **Wild & Wonderful Christmas Art Show** by participants of Wildman Studio. This is the perfect opportunity to pick up one-of-a-kind gifts for family and friends, or for yourself! The opening reception is November 30 from 2-4 pm. The show runs November 30 to December 23.

Shorter days got you down? **Light therapy lamps** mimic outdoor natural light and are a way to treat Seasonal Affective Disorder. Visit the Library and spend 10-30 minutes reading a book or magazine in front of our light therapy lamp.

If your holiday photos and videos have been less than magical, we've got a workshop for you! Sign up for **Capture the Holidays with Confidence** and learn how to capture beautiful photo and video with ease, using typical devices such as smartphones, iPads, digital cameras. December 5th. Register online.

Are your photographs from Christmases past hidden in a box? Scan them to digital to share and display these memories for years to come. Book the **Memory Lab** at the Library and we'll show you how to scan your photos and take them home in digital format.

Olde Fashioned Christmas is a classic Thornbury tradition that has been happening in the community for over 40 years! Join us at the Library on Saturday December 14 at 10:00am, before the festivities begin Downtown. We will be reading holiday storybook classics and making holiday crafts and ornaments, while sipping on hot chocolate and apple cider.

The tiny voices of BVO Preschool will be joining us for a morning of holiday cheer and songs. Everyone is welcome on Friday, December 20 at 10:30am to hear the children sing festive songs with piano accompaniment.

This is a great time to get CRAFTY. At the **Family Wreath Workshop** (Saturday December 21). Make and take home a beautiful Book Page Wreath using upcycled pages from old novels. We encourage families to come in and work together to create some beautiful holiday décor.

We will also be making super adorable Snowmen out of socks in our **No Sew Sock Snowman** (Friday December 27). All supplies will be provided. Ages 6 and up. Register online.

And what would the holidays be without cookies and board games? Join us for some yummy cookies and a fun afternoon of games on Sunday December 29. This is a drop-in event for all ages.

From the Craigleith Heritage Depot Vaults

Now that the season has changed to winter, it's an ideal time to take a look at some unique ski trophies we have in our collection. We are lucky to have so many ski clubs and resorts, and athletes in our area. These trophies belonged to a local athlete, Jim Georgas, who cleaned up in 1954. Of extra interest, these were made by Blue Mountain Pottery.

Jim was named as an alternate for the Canadian Olympic Downhill and Slalom Ski Team in 1952. He went on to coach Canada's National ski teams and was a ski instructor continuously for six decades at Blue Mountain Resort. He received many sports awards and was inducted into three Sports Hall of Fames including Owen Sound, Collingwood and The Canadian Ski Instructors Alliance of Ontario Skiing Hall of Fame.



Hand painted trophies by Blue Mountain Pottery.

Images by the Georgian Bay Photography Club on behalf of the Craigleith Heritage Depot.

In the Gallery



Wild & Wonderful: A Christmas Art Show

Opens Saturday November 30 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Participants of Wildman Studio will display their artwork in a special Christmas show. Many beautiful pieces will be available for purchase, with complimentary gift wrapping at the opening reception. This is the perfect opportunity to pick up one-of-a-kind gifts for family and friends, or for yourself! Opening reception: Saturday, November 30th, from 2-4 pm. This is a licensed event. The exhibit runs November 30th till December 23rd during library hours.

Calling all artists! CELEBRATING THE COLOURS OF GOLD February 2020 Open Show in The Gallery

The colour gold in all its hues, whether yellow-gold, orange-gold, tan-gold, or just plain golden, will be a welcome addition to the month of February. The Arts and Culture Council for The Gallery at L.E. Shore announces an open invitation, 'golden inspired' Arts and Crafts exhibition. Drop off your work (no more than 3 pieces) to The Gallery on Thursday January 30 from 10-8. (No wet paint accepted). There is a \$10.00 registration fee per artist. The library commission is 25%. All works should be available for purchase.

Submissions drop off date: January 30th, 2020, 10 am to 8 pm

Opening reception: Saturday, February 1st, 2-4 pm

Pick up art work: Thursday, March 5th, 10 am to 8 pm

We will attempt to exhibit all submitted work but reserve the right to omit work if exhibition space does not allow it.

*For three-dimensional work, we have 2 showcases, and 4 plinths to display work. Exact specifications available upon request.

Programs

Contact the Library or visit our website's Event Calendar to register for programs.

Unless indicated, all programs are free.

LES = L.E. Shore Library

CHD = Craigeleith Heritage Depot

TBM Creator Space (Marsh Street Centre) Did you know that trained members of the Creator Space may borrow audio, video and photography equipment with their library card? Tech includes Blackmagic digital cinema camera and GoPro Fusion 360 camera. Search our catalogue for "TBM Creator Space" to see a list of everything that's available. Visit tbmcreatorspace.com for more info.

Seniors' Exercise NEW TIME!

Mondays and Wednesdays 10:15am-11:15am LES

Sitting or standing, no matter your ability. Cost is \$2. Drop-in.

Please note, no classes Dec. 23rd, 25th or Jan 1.

Wired Wednesdays, every Wednesday from 1:00-3:00pm at LES

Having issues with your tablet, smartphone, or computer? Maybe you aren't sure how to download apps or use Libby? Stop by for Tech Help Drop-in.

W. Dec 4: Tech Help Drop-in

W. Dec 11: Facebook for Beginners

W. Dec 18: Tech Help Drop-in

W. Dec 25 & Jan 1: Library Closed

Library Social Group for Knitting and Crocheting

Every Thursday 1:00pm - 3:00pm at LES

Everyone is welcome. Knit, crochet and chat. There is a one-time \$5 cost to join to cover coffee/tea, milk, sugar and treats. No program on December 26.

Story Time

Every Friday 11:00am-11:30am at LES

Join us every Friday for a great way to start your weekend! Every week features stories, crafts, games, sensory play and fun.

Drop-in. Free event. Ages 0-5 yrs.

Holiday Photo and Video Picture Perfection: Learn How to To Get Amazing Shots!

Thursday, December 5, 10am-12pm at LES Learn how to capture beautiful photo and video with ease, using devices such as smartphones, ipads, digital cameras, etc. Get that group shot, capture the family moments, and be confident with the camera. Register now at tbmcreatorspace.com. Free.

A Very Christmas Story Time

Friday, December 13 at 11:00am - 11:30am at LES

Meet us in the Story Tower for A Very Christmas Story Time. We will read some stories, sing some Christmas songs, and make a fun Christmas craft. See you at 11:00 am for this Holly Jolly Story Time. Ages 0 and up. Free event. Drop in.

Olde Fashioned Christmas Morning

Saturday December 14 10:00am - 12:00pm at LES

It's Olde Fashioned Christmas in Thornbury! We are having Christmas Morning at L.E. Shore Library before all of the fun and activities happen downtown. Children's Holiday Reads: T'was the Night Before Christmas with Library Staff. DIY Holiday Crafts, hot chocolate, apple cider, holiday stories and fun. Free for everyone!

CHD Book Club

Wednesday, December 18 6:30 at L.E. Shore Library

Reading "The Summer Queen" by Elizabeth Chadwick, 2014.

Holiday Carols with BVO Preschool

Friday December 20 10:30am-11:00am at LES

Join us for some holiday cheer, hear the BVO Preschool children sing festive songs with piano accompaniment. Open to everyone.

Book Page Wreath Workshop

Saturday December 21 1:30pm - 2:30pm at LES

Join us for an Intergenerational Holiday craft. Make and take home a beautiful Book Page Wreath. Ages 10 and up. We encourage families to come in and work together! Free.

No Sew Sock Snowman

Friday December 27 1:00pm - 2:00pm at LES

We will be making super adorable Snowmen out of socks. All supplies provided. Ages 6 and up. Pre-registration required. Free event.

Cookies and Board Games

Sunday December 29 1:00pm - 3:00pm at LES

Join us for some yummy cookies and a fun afternoon of board games. Free program. Ages 8 and up. Drop in.



Library Board Corner

Busy Month at the Board: November has been a busy month for our 3 governance groups. The Board passed the proposed budget which will now be presented to Council in the Town 2020 budget. We also moved forward with the 25th anniversary planning for the BMPL celebration year of 2020, and capital campaign planning which we hope to launch in 2021. Our annual plan document, which is a list of how we intend to meet the Strategic Plan 4 Goals and 19 Objectives, was reviewed for 2020 and will be on the January Meeting agenda for finalization.

Annual Executive Elections: Each of our governance groups elect new executive at the last meeting of the year. The Library Board is happy to announce that Maurice Pepper has been re-elected Chair and Laury Gillies Vice Chair of the Board for 2020. Each of our 3 Board committees will elect their Committee Chair by their December meeting. The Museum Advisory Council (MAC) elected Christine Clark Chair for 2020. Many thanks to Robert B Waind for his many many years leading MAC as Chair.

Craigleith Heritage Depot Remains Closed: The CHD museum will remain close for the next several months. A TBM staff report is scheduled for December on this matter and BMPL and TBM staff have been building a remediation plan with the intention of reopening CHD. As soon as we have information to share on an ETA we will release this information via our Key Message Updates.

Subscribe Today! If you have not yet subscribed to our e-communications, we encourage you to do so today from our website landing page. Our e-newsletter is the main form of communication by Staff, and the Key Message Update is the communication method from our Board, the MAC and the Arts & Culture Council.

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Enjoy seasonal favourites like **Elf**, the story of a man who was raised by elves. Stars Will Farrell and Bob Newhart.

- Once Upon a Sesame Street Christmas (Video)
- Christmas with the Kranks (Video)
- Call the Midwife Christmas Specials (Video)
- Christmas with Sinatra and Friends (Music)
- Kidz Bop Christmas (Music)
- Now That's What I Call Merry Christmas! (Music)
- 20 #1's: Jazz Christmas (Music)
- Gift of the Magi by O. Henry (eBook and Audio book)
- A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens (eBook and Audio book)
- The Christmas Train by David Baldacci (Audio book)
- The Christmas Box by Richard Paul Evans (Audio book)
- The Polar Express by Charles Van Allsburg (Audio book)
- How the Grinch Stole Christmas, narrated by Boris Karloff (Audio book)
- Garfield Cheesy Holiday Special (Comic)
- DC Holiday Nightmares (Comic)



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Monday 10-5
 Tuesday 10-8
 Wednesday 10-5
 Thursday 10-8
 Friday 10-5
 Saturday 10-5
 Sunday 12-4



The Library is closed: Tuesday December 24, Wednesday December 25, Thursday December 26, and Wednesday January 1.
The Library is closing at 3pm on Tuesday, December 31.

Craigleith Heritage Depot

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 The Blue Mountains, Ontario
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The Craigleith Heritage Depot is temporarily closed.
All holds are available at L.E. Shore Library.