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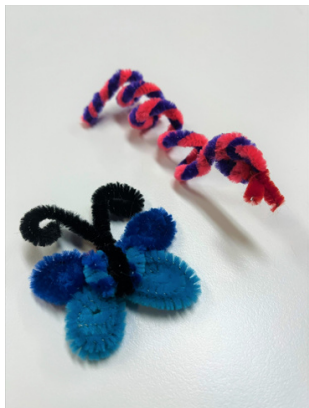
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FEATURED EVENTS

MARCH BREAK ACTIVITIES

Mar. 13 – 18, 2023

See our March Break flyer and find out what is happening at your library. This year, we will have: a Community Art Mosaic Project, a bilingual StoryWalk, daily Take & Make Craft Kits, Green Screen Photography, Tween BINGO, Design a Button, Dungeons and Dragons, Music Makerspace, Red Cross Babysitting, and more!



SPECTACULAR SPRING BOOK SALE

Sat. Mar. 4, 2023, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
All individual items priced \$0.25 or 5 for \$1.00! You won't want to miss this book sale. Find a treasure and support your local library.

ADULT PAINT CLASS: LAVENDER SKY

Thurs. Mar. 23, 2023, 1 - 2:30 p.m.
Thurs. Mar. 23, 2023, 5:30 - 7 p.m.
Learn how to paint a stunning Spring landscape in this acrylic painting workshop! On a 12 x 12 " canvas, explore blending, shading, and brushwork techniques to create rolling hills, fields of flowers and a colourful sunlit sky.

Pre-registration is required. Please contact the library: 905-834-6512.
COST: \$15 per person.



TOP HAT CEREMONY

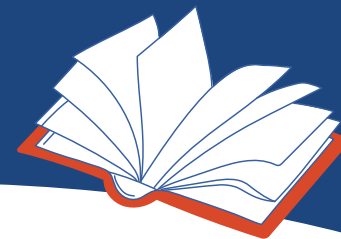
Save the date: March 22, 2023

Every March, when the canal reopens after the winter shutdown, the captain of the first downbound ship is presented with a ceremonial top hat, modelled after an iconic top hat from the Port Colborne Historical and Marine Museum. This type of top hat was worn by ship captains a century ago when the canal was in its early days. Meet us at the event where we will be popping up with commemorative buttons.



For more information about the 2023 Top Hat Ceremony, please visit the City of Port Colborne website: www.portcolborne.ca/

Subscribe to our monthly newsletter by visiting our website.



Celebrate an Irish author by checking out a book from our featured display or through our online catalogue.

PROGRAMS

TOT TIME

Thurs. Mar. 2, 9, 23 & 30, 2023

10:15 – 11:00 a.m.

Enjoy stories, crafts, and a circle-time. For ages 2 to 5 accompanied by a parent/caregiver.

COST: \$1.00. Please pre-register.



FREE INCOME TAX CLINIC

Registration opens: Mon. Feb. 13, 2023, 10 a.m.

Income Tax Clinic date: Sat. Apr. 1, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Please contact the library to register: 905-834-6512.

Limited spaces available.

DOCUMENTARY FILMS

Mon. Mar. 27, 2023, 1:30 – 3:30

p.m. Join us for a screening and discussion of two documentary films: Walt Disney World (2007, 56 min.) & A Park for All Seasons: Sleeping Giant Provincial Park (2010, 25 min.) Please register in advance. FREE.



STORY TIME WITH SHELLY

Saturdays, March 4, 18 & 25, 2023,

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Meet us in the Children's Room for a fun, free, family story time. All ages. No registration required.



ART IN THE ATRIUM MARCH 2023

Port Colborne Proud
Photography Showcase

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND JOB TRAINING WITH PC WORKS

Tuesday, Mar. 7, 14, 21 & 28, 2023

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Drop by the library and talk to a team member from PC Works. Learn more about computers, academic upgrading, employment opportunities, and job training within the Niagara Region. PC Works can answer your questions and help you on your career path. Services provided by PC Works are FREE!



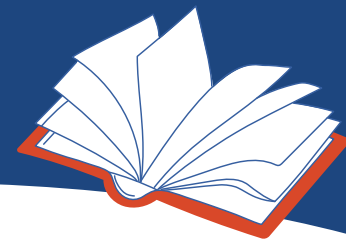
SPEAK WITH A NIAGARA REGION PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Fri. Mar. 3, 17 & 31, 2023

1 - 2 p.m.

Chat with a Niagara Region Public Health Nurse from the Family Health division. Get answers to your questions about pregnancy, adjusting to parenthood, your well-being as a parent, parenting tips, your child's growth and development, and more! They can link you with services and programs in the Region.





"Hang on Piglet, it's March"
- Winnie the Pooh

E-RESOURCES

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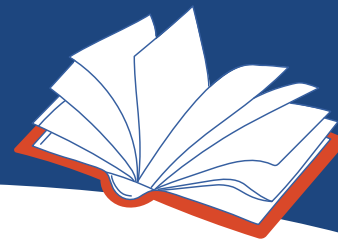
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Canada Helps: Secure online donations can be made through the Canada Helps website: www.canadahelps.org.

Library Book Sale: Gently used books, magazines, DVDs, music CDs, and more. Prices start at 50¢. Find a treasure, buy a gift, and support your library.

A charitable tax receipt will be issued for monetary gifts of \$10.00 or more.

SEED LIBRARY

- 1) Check out free seeds to plant in your garden.
 - 2) Enjoy your harvest.
 - 3) At the end of the season, collect seeds to return to the seed library.
- For a complete list of available seeds visit our website. Call us to place your order. 905-834-6512



BOARD GAMES

We have over 60 board games that you can check out. Fun for all ages. Free one-week loans on a teen or adult library card.

VIDEO GAMES

Do you like to play video games? We have games for PS3, PS4, PS5, Xbox One, Xbox Series X, Wii, and Nintendo Switch. Free one-week loans on a teen or adult library card.

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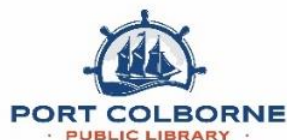
The delivery of library materials to patrons unable to visit the library due to illness, physical disability, or age.

Contact us for more details.
905-834-6512.

HOURS OF SERVICE

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Wednesday - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Friday, Saturday - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The book drop is open 24/7 to return your books and library materials.



March 2023 at the Library

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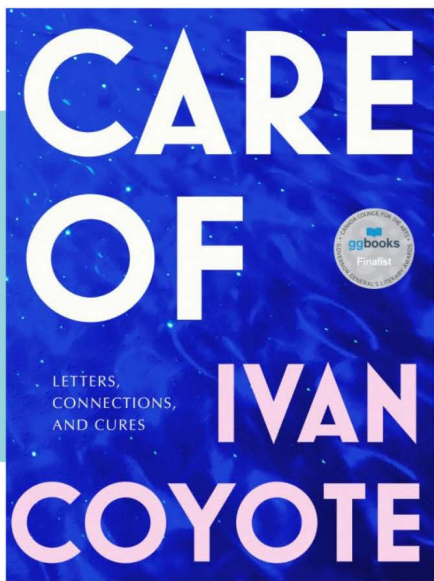
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| SUN. | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| | | | 1 | 2 10:15 – 11 Tot Time | 3 10 – 11 Niagara Parents | 4 10:30 - 11:30 Story Time w/ Shelly 9 – 5 Book Sale |
| 5 | 6 | 7 10 – 12 PC Works | 8 | 9 10:15 – 11 Tot Time | 10 | 11 10 – 4 Income Tax Clinic |
| 12 | 13 T&M: Plant a Seed 10 – 4 StoryWalk 10:15 - 11 March Tots 4 – 7 Green Screen Photography | 14 T&M: Penguin Headbands 10-11 & 11:30-12:30 Rock Painting 10 – 12 PC Works 4 – 7 Design a Button | 15 T&M: Catapults 10 - 12 Green Screen Photography 1 - 3 Sailor's Valentine (Museum) 2 – 4 Dungeons & Dragons | 16 T&M: Jack & the Beanstalk 10 - 11:30 BINGO 10 – 4 Red Cross Babysitting 12 – 7 Music Makerspace | 17 T&M: Pipe Cleaner Animals 10 – 4 Library of Things 10 – 11 Niagara Parents 1 – 3 Museum Buccaneers (Museum) | 18 T&M: Free Book Giveaway 10 – 4 Library of Things 10:30 - 11:30 Story Time |
| PLEASE SEE MARCH BREAK FLYER FOR MORE DETAILS | | | | | | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 10 – 12 PC Works | 22 Save the date Top Hat Ceremony | 23 10:15 – 11 Tot Time 1:00 – 2:30 & 5:30 – 7:00 Adult Painting Class | 24 | 25 10:30 - 11:30 Story Time w/ Shelly |
| 26 | 27 1:30 - 3:30 Documentary Films | 28 10 – 12 PC Works | 29 7 - 9 One Book, One Niagara (Brock University) | 30 10:15 – 11 Tot Time | 31 10 – 11 Niagara Parents | |

ONE BOOK ONE NIAGARA

featuring

Ivan Coyote



Wednesday, March 29 • 7PM
Sean O'Sullivan Theatre,
Brock University



Reserve your free ticket by visiting
onebookoneniagara.eventbrite.ca
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COMMUNITY MOSAIC ART PROJECT

(All ages) Mar. 13 – 18, 2023

Do you like to colour? Do you like to draw? Lend your talents to our Community Mosaic Art Project. Join us anytime during March Break in the Children's Room to be a part of this project. FREE.



TAKE & MAKE: PLANT A SEED & SEE WHAT GROWS

(All ages) Available Mon. Mar. 13, 2023

Each kit includes: a colouring book, crayons, and a package of seeds for your garden. Available while supplies last. FREE.



MARCH TOTS

(For ages 2 to 5 accompanied by a parent/caregiver)

Mon. Mar. 13, 2023, 10:15 – 11 a.m.

Enjoy stories, a Leprechaun craft, and a circle-time. Pre-register. FREE.



GREEN SCREEN PHOTOGRAPHY

Mon. Mar. 13, 2023, 4 – 7 p.m. &

Wed. Mar. 15, 2023, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

(For families) Have your photo taken in our green screen studio. We will magically drop you into one of our three vacation backgrounds and deliver the photo to you by email. FREE.



TAKE & MAKE: PENGUIN HEADBAND

(All ages) Available Tues. Mar. 14, 2023

Waddle into the library to pick up a penguin headband to make at home. Available while supplies last. FREE.



BILINGUAL STORYWALK®

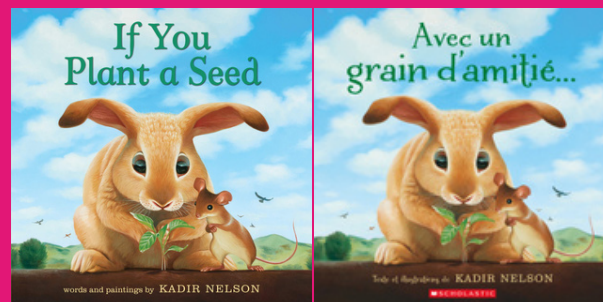
Mon. Mar. 13, 2023, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

(For families)

Families are invited to a bilingual StoryWalk® of the story *If You Plant a Seed* and *Avec un grain d'amitié* by Kadir Nelson.

The StoryWalk®, starts at the library and takes you along the grounds of the Port Colborne Historical and Marine Museum.

StoryWalk® funding supplied by the Niagara Regional Children's Committee.



REGISTRATION OPENS

For programs that require pre-registration, please contact the library in advance. Limited spaces will be available.

Registration opens:
Mon. Feb. 27, 2023, 10 a.m.

Happy March Break!

ROCK PAINTING

(Ages 8 -12)

Tues. Mar. 14, 2023, 10 – 11 a.m. &
Tues. Mar. 14, 2023, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

In this hour-long craft session, kids can turn a rock into their favourite animal. Pre-register. FREE.



DESIGN A BUTTON

(For families)

Tues. Mar. 14, 2023, 4 – 7 p.m.

Have you ever wanted a one-of-a-kind button that matches your style? Now is your chance! Drop by the library and we will help you make a button with our button maker. Limit of one per person. FREE.



TAKE & MAKE: CATAPULTS

(Ages 4 - 12) Available Wed. Mar. 15, 2023

In this fun STEM activity, make a catapult out of popsicle sticks and shoot pompoms. How far and how high can you go? Pick up your kit at the library. Available while supplies last. FREE.



TAKE & MAKE: JACK AND THE BEANSTALK

(All ages) Available Thurs. Mar. 16, 2023

Grow your own beanstalk and recreate Jack's magical adventure using seeds from our Seed Library. Available while supplies last. FREE.



TWEEN BINGO

(Ages 8-12) Thurs. Mar. 16, 2023, 10 – 11:30 a.m. Come join us for a fun game of book bingo and win a prize! Pre-register. FREE.



MARCH BREAK @ THE MUSEUM

MEMENTOS FROM THE SEA

(Ages 7 – 12)

Wed. Mar. 15, 2023, 1 – 3 p.m.

Connect with your crafty side at the Roselawn Centre this March Break and create your very own Sailor's Valentine-- sentimental gifts made by sailors' for their loved ones back home.

Cost: \$5.00/person.

Call the Museum at 905-834-7604

or email

Sloane.mcdowell@portcolborne.ca to sign up!



MUSEUM BUCCANEERS

(Ages 7 – 12)

Fri. Mar. 17, 2023, 1 – 3 p.m.

Calling all pirates! Spend your March Break at the Port Colborne Historical and Marine Museum for a day filled with fun activities,

including pirate dress-up, treasure hunting and a pirate feast! \$5.00/person. Call the Museum at 905-834-7604 or email sloane.mcdowell@portcolborne.ca to sign up!



Send a picture of your completed Take & Make craft to library@portcolborne.ca for a chance to be featured on our website.

MUSIC MAKERSPACE

(For families)

Thurs. Mar. 16, 2023, 12 – 7 p.m.

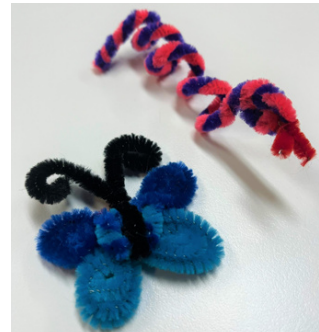
Families are invited to register for a 30-minute time-slot to try our musical instruments. We have a guitar, ukuleles, a digital piano, electric drums, and bells and shakers. Pre-register. FREE.



TAKE & MAKE:

PIPE CLEANER ANIMALS

(Ages 6 - 12) Available Friday, March 17, 2023 Turn ordinary pipe cleaners into cute animals with this fun craft. Pick up your kit at the library. Available while supplies last. FREE.



LIBRARY OF THINGS

(For families)

Fri. Mar. 17 & Sat. Mar. 18, 2023, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

We have exciting new additions to our Library of Things, including: Gravitrax, Electric Snap Circuits, LEGO Dots, and more! Families are invited to drop by to try our Library of Things. Thanks to a generous donation from the Port Colborne Lions Club! FREE.



FREE BOOK GIVEAWAY

(Ages 3 - 8) Available Sat. Mar. 18, 2023 Stop by the library to pick up a brand-new, free book. Thanks to First Book Canada for the generous book donation. One book per family. Available while supplies last.



STORY TIME WITH SHELLY

(For families)

Sat. Mar. 18, 2023, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Meet us in the Children's Room for a fun, free, family story time. All ages. FREE.

FOR TEENS

RED CROSS BABYSITTING BASICS



@ L.R. WILSON ARCHIVES

(For ages 11 to 15)

Thurs. Mar. 16, 2023,
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

The course focuses on five main areas: child caregiving, first aid, injury prevention, leadership, and business skills. Participants will receive a course manual and a certification upon completion. Proof of birth required at registration. Cost: \$80. Pre-registration and pre-payment required.

INTRO TO DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

(Ages 13-18)

Wed. Mar. 15, 2023, 2 – 4 p.m.

Interested in Dungeons & Dragons? Join us for an introductory session to learn how to roll dice in a fun role-playing adventure. Pre-register. FREE.



MARCH BREAK 2023 AT A GLANCE

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| Monday, March 13 | 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Bilingual StoryWalk® with Museum. Drop-in. | | | Community Mosaic Art Project. Drop-in. March 13 – 18 |
| Take & Make: Plant a Seed & See What Grows | 10:15 – 11 a.m. March Tots. Pre-register. | 4 – 7 p.m. Green Screen Photography. Drop-in. | | |
| Tuesday, March 14 | 10 – 11 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Rock Painting. Pre-register. | | 4 – 7 p.m. Design a Button. Drop-in. | |
| Take & Make: Penguin Headbands | | | | |
| Wednesday, March 15 | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Green Screen Photography. Drop-in. | 1 – 3 p.m. Museum Program: Mementos from the Sea (Roselawn) Pre-register. | 2 – 4 p.m. Dungeons & Dragons. Pre-register. | |
| Take & Make: Catapults | | | | |
| Thursday, March 16 | 10 – 11:30 a.m. Tween BINGO. Pre-register. | | 12 – 7 p.m. Music Makerspace. Pre-register. | |
| Take & Make: Jack and the Beanstalk | 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Red Cross Babysitting Course (Archives). Pre-register. | | | |
| Friday, March 17 | 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Library of Things. Drop-in. | | | |
| Take & Make: Pipe Cleaner Animals | 1 – 3 p.m. Museum Program: Museum Buccaneers (Museum) Pre-register. | | | |
| Saturday, March 18 | 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Library of Things. Drop-in. | | | |
| Free Picture Book Giveaway | 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Story Time with Shelly. Drop-in. | | | |