

OFF THE SHELF **NEWSLETTER**

JULY/AUG 2025





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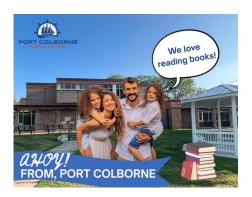
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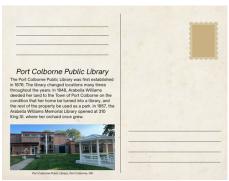
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AHOY! FROM PORT COLBORNE GREEN SCREEN POSTCARDS

Sat. Aug. 2, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Celebrate Canal Days in our green screen studio. Choose from one of four iconic Port Colborne backgrounds, snap a family photo, and have your free "Ahoy! From Port Colborne" postcard sent to you by mail. All ages. Free.





NEW LIBRARY TOTE **BAGS**

New library tote bags are now available for \$20.00. Whether you select a cotton blue or a canvas navy bag, this is a great way to show your support and spread the word about the library!



MY DREAM BORROW CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCEMENT

Coming soon!

We received many wonderful submissions for the My Dream Borrow Contest! We want to thank everyone for their creative ideas and suggestions. We couldn't pick just one...

The winning submissions will be announced later this month!

SUBSCRIBE

Subscribe to our monthly newsletter by visiting our website.

ART IN THE ATRIUM

July 2 - 31, 2025: Etched in Time

Presented by Port Colborne Public Library & Port Colborne Historical and Marine Museum

Do you remember the Port Colborne etching stones? In 1984, a group of local artists were selected by the Port Colborne Image Committee to create eight unique etchings. These designs were transferred onto copper plates and installed behind the library, transforming the space into an arts park. Between 1984 to 2000, the community was invited to engage with these pieces by creating their own rubbings.

The Etched In Time art show celebrates the original artists, their etching designs, and honours the impact and legacy of this unique collection.



HOLIDAY HOURS

Monday, August 4, 2025 (Closed for Civic Holiday)

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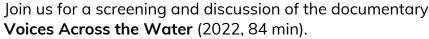


Check out a park pass, bocce set, lacrosse kit, or football and spend some time outdoors at a local park!

ADULT PROGRAMS

VOICES ACROSS THE WATER

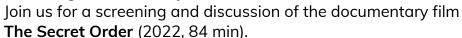
Mon. July 28, 1:30 – 3 p.m.



There is a moment during the construction of a canoe when its true form is revealed. Follows two master boat builders as they practice their art and find a way back to balance and healing. Pre-register. Free.

THE SECRET ORDER

Mon. Aug. 25, 1:30 – 3 p.m.

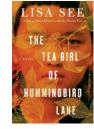


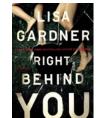
Phil Comeau shines a spotlight on the Ordre de Jacques-Cartier, a powerful secret society that operated from 1926 to 1965, infiltrating every sector of Canadian society and forging the fate of French language communities. Through never before-heard testimony from former members of the Order, along with historically accurate dramatic reconstructions, this film paints a gripping portrait of the social and political struggles of Canadian francophone-minority communities. Pre-register. Free.

PORT COLBORNE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Mon. July 14, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Joinus for a discussion of The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane by Lisa See. Limited spaces. Pre-register. Free.

Mon. Aug. 11, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Join us for a discussion of **Right Behind You** by Lisa Gardner. Limited spaces. Pre-register. Free.





YELLOW FISH ROAD TOTE

July & August 2025
"Follow the Yellow Fish Road..."

The City of Port Colborne and the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority are inviting community members to paint bright fish beside local storm drains— a small but powerful symbol reminding us that stormwater flows directly into our local waterways, impacting ecosystems and wildlife! Support the Yellow Fish Road program by borrowing a paint kit from your Port Colborne Public Library. For more information, visit: www.npca.ca



CARDS & GAMES

Mondays, July 7, 14, 21 & 28 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.



Make new friends and play fun games with Community Connect Port Colborne on Monday afternoons in July! Community Connect is a not-forprofit organization serving individuals with intellectual disabilities, and other marginalized groups.



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E-RESOURCES

Need one-on-one tech help?

Book a Tech Time appointment with our friendly staff to help answer basic questions and provide step-by-step instruction on devices. Call us to learn more: 905-834-6512.

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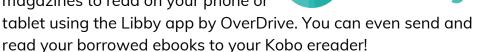


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SEED LIBRARY

Are you a gardener? Do you want to see if this fascinating hobby is for you? Check out some seeds from our Seed Library.



Our seed library was established in 2018 and has seen over 1000 seed packets borrowed. Seed libraries offer numerous benefits, including promoting genetic diversity, supporting local food security, and fostering community engagement.

Borrowing is easy: just let us know how many packets you're taking home and after harvest, send us seeds from your homegrown veggies or flowers.

BOOK OUR MUSIC MAKERSPACE

Our Music Makerspace includes a keyboard, digital drum set, ukeleles, a guitar, and bells and shakers. Book the Music Makerspace for free for sessions starting at 30 minutes. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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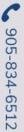
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29 10:15 – 10:45 Baby Time 10 – 7 Frilled Neck Lizard Craft	22 10:15 – 10:45 Baby Time 10 – 7 Origami Craft	15 10:15 – 10:45 Baby Time 10 – 7 Whimsical Windmill Craft	8 10:15 – 10:45 Baby Time 10 – 7 Paper Plate Parrot Craft	1 Closed for Canada Day
30 10 – 4:30 Crafty Cabana	23 10 – 4:30 Crafty Cabana	16 10 – 4:30 Crafty Cabana	9 10 – 4:30 Crafty Cabana	2 10 – 4:30 Crafty Cabana
31 10 – 7 Platypus Craft	24 10 – 7 Great Wall of China Craft	17 10 – 11 A Bug's Life 11:15 – 12:15 Time Travellers 10 – 7 King's Guard Craft	10 1:30 - 2:30 Family Movie Showing: NFB 10 - 7 Fluffy Llama Craft	3 10 – 7 Canadian Landscape Craft
	25 10:30 – 4:30 Library of Things 9 – 12 PC Market Pop-Up	18 10:30 – 4:30 Library of Things	11 10:30 – 4:30 Library of Things	4 10:30 – 4:30 Library of Things 10 – 4:30 Button Makerspace & Mini Button Makerspace
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