

TEEN ART CLUB

Are you a teen who enjoys art and creative expression? This non-judgmental art attack is just for you. From sketching to painting, we will explore all kinds of art techniques and celebrate your unique artistic style.

Ages 13-18 | \$12 per session
Lakeshore: Wednesdays, August 5-August 26, 3:30-4:30pm
Registration Required

CHAPTER CHATS

Love reading or just curious about books?

Join us for a relaxed and fun Book Chat, where tweens and teens can talk about their favourite books, discover new reads, and share opinions in a welcoming space. Themes shared weekly.

Ages 10-18 | Free
Lakeshore: Thursdays, until August 27, 6:30pm

Short Story Contest

Aspiring authors in Grades 3-12, now's the time to set your imagination loose by entering your original work of creative fiction in the 2026 Short Story Contest. *There are great prizes to be won, including the \$500 Seepe Walters Award!*

Deadline: Friday, December 18, at midnight
innisfilidealab.ca/writeon



Book Chat: First-Time Favourites

Join us for a Book Chat all about the books we wish we could experience again for the very first time! From shocking twists and unforgettable characters to stories that stayed with us long after the final page, we'll share the reads that made a lasting impression. Come talk books, discover new favourites, and connect with fellow readers.

Lakeshore: Thursday, August 6, 6-7pm
Ages 16+ | Registration Required

Heads Up for Healthier Brains

Join the Alzheimer Society of Simcoe County for a free 4-week education program that explores ways to protect your brain health and reduce your risk of dementia at any age. Topics discussed include typical aging versus not typical aging, getting your brain and body in gear, nutrition and brain health, and social engagement. This program is not for those currently living with dementia.

Seniors & Adults | Free
Lakeshore: July 30, August 6, 13, & 20, 1-3pm

Register directly with the Alzheimer Society of Simcoe County:
705-722-1066 ext. 229
or egiasson@alzheimersociety.ca

AUGUST

Author Talk: An Evening Online with Genevieve Graham

Spend an evening with bestselling Canadian author Genevieve Graham as she shares the inspiration behind her captivating historical novels, including *The Forgotten Home Child*, *Bluebird*, and *The Chambermaid's Key*. Known for bringing Canada's rich history to life through unforgettable stories of love, resilience, and adventure, Genevieve is the #1 bestselling author of thirteen novels.

Join us virtually from the comfort of home or gather with fellow readers at our Lakeshore Branch to enjoy the event together while Genevieve joins us online.

Lakeshore: Thursday, August 20, 6pm
Virtual/Hybrid Talk | Free | Registration Required

Cookstown Community Picnic & Open House

Celebrate summer with a day of fun, creativity, and community!

Celebrate summer with a day of fun, creativity, and community! Make a splash at the Team T & J Foam Party, full of music, dancing, and more! Sign up for a library card or show your card during the Open House for a chance to win a prize. Enjoy a hot dog with a donation to the Library from Barrie's Best BBQ, partnered with Rooted Foodery, while supplies last from 12pm-2pm and cookie decorating with Mad Hatters' Table.

Cookstown Branch & Outdoor Splashpad
20 Church Street
Saturday, August 8, 10am-2pm



Simcoe Reads

This exciting cover-to-cover reading competition brings together 8 Simcoe County libraries, 8 community champions, and one final debate to determine the book everyone in Simcoe County should read. Representing Innisfil, community champion Paula Murphy has selected *Finding Flora* by Elinor Florence as our featured title. Pick up a copy, start reading, and follow along as the competition unfolds!

Register for the Simcoe Reads final debate! Join us on **Tuesday, September 29 at 6:30pm** at The General John Hayter South Shore Community Centre to cheer on your champion and vote for the book that you think everyone in Simcoe County should read. Full details at www.simcoereads.ca



10am-11:30am
HackLAB
Drop-In

12:30pm-2pm
Team T & J Concert & Foam Party



**FOAM
POP UP
PARTY**

TO REGISTER VISIT
www.innisfilidealab.ca/events

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Drop In Storytime

Lakeshore: Tuesdays, 10-11am

Wednesdays, 6-7pm

Fridays, July 24, August 7 & 21, 10-11am

Saturdays, 10-11am

Cookstown: Tuesdays, 6-7pm

Thursdays, 10-11am

Stroud: Wednesdays & Fridays, 10-11am

Drop-In Travelling Storytime

Let's get outside for storytimes around Innisfil! Join us at a different park each week for stories, songs, rhymes, and outdoor fun. Spend some time outdoors and nurture your child's love of books and reading.

Wednesdays, 10-11am at your favourite park!

See BiblioEvents for pop up locations

Drop-In Splash Pad Storytime:

Make a splash with stories! Join us for a fun-filled outdoor storytime featuring books, songs, rhymes, and interactive activities, followed by free play at the splash pad. It's the perfect way to enjoy reading, get moving, and enjoy outdoor play on a warm summer day.

Wear your bathing suit, bring a towel, and be ready for some splashy fun!

Cookstown Splash Pad:

Tuesdays, until August 25, 10-11am

Lakeshore Town Square Splash Pad:

Fridays, July 31, August 14, 28, 10-11am



TD Summer Reading Club Dive In!

Get ready to set sail on your summer adventure! Ride the waves with us this summer through books, activities, and hands-on fun. Bring in your notebook to your local branch and receive prizes for your reading!

Registration now open

Reporting: Up to August 29

TD
Summer
Reading
Club
2026

Drop-In Baby Bookworms

Cookstown: Thursdays,
until August 27, 1:30-2:30pm

Lakeshore: Fridays,
until August 28, 1:30-2:30pm

Stroud: Fridays,
until August 28, 11:30-12:30pm

Ages
0-12
months
Free

Drop-In Fun for Ones

Lakeshore: Wednesdays,
until August 26, 10-11am

Ages
12-24
months
Free

Ready Set School

Cookstown: Tuesdays,
until August 25, 1:30-2:30pm

Stroud: Wednesdays,
until August 26, 1:30-2:30pm

Registration Required

Ages
3-5
Free

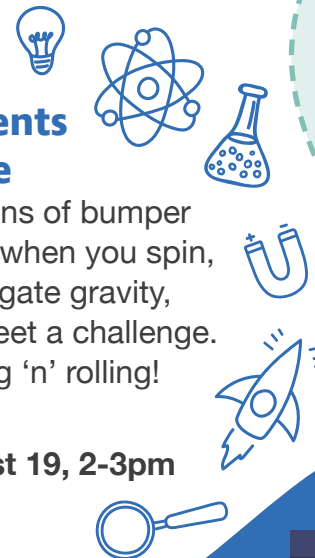
Scientists in School presents Ride 'N' Roll with Science

Discover the actions and reactions of bumper cars, explore the forces at work when you spin, create a zipline while you investigate gravity, and design a roller coaster to meet a challenge. It's all about the physics of riding 'n' rolling!

Ages 6-12 | \$3 per person

Lakeshore: Wednesday, August 19, 2-3pm

Registration Required



TINKERSHOPS

Turn your next HackLAB idea into reality at the Library!

Join our HackLAB staff for guided, step-by-step design tutorials as you explore tools like the laser cutter, vinyl cutter, 3D printer, and more. Create, learn, and bring your project to life.

Ages 10+ | Cost dependant on activity

See BiblioEvents for dates, times and locations

MakeIT Programs

Unlock your creativity and boost your digital literacy skills! Join us for a six-week session of MakeIT programming to learn the ins and outs of creating in the HackLAB.

See BiblioEvents for dates, times, and locations.
Registration Required

Learn to Sew

Join us for an introduction to sewing! Participants will learn how to thread the machine, wind the bobbin, and sew basic stitches. All materials and tools are provided.

Ages 18+ | \$15 | Registration Required

Lakeshore:

Zipper Heart Pouches: Wednesdays, August 12-August 26, 1-2pm

Drawstring Backpack: Fridays, August 14-August 28, 1-2pm



COMPUTER CLASSES

Registration Required

Tech Talks

Join us to learn something new and useful about technology! It may be a time-saving tip, a cool new app for your phone, or the big tech news story of the day.

Adults | Free

Lakeshore: Tuesdays, 1-2pm

(No session August 4)

Tech Help

Do you have a computer, mobile device, or technology question? Register for a learning session with staff to receive technology assistance and enhance your skills.

Adults | Free

See BiblioEvents for dates, times and locations

Intro to Computers

Learn the basics of using a computer in a supportive environment.

Adults | Free

Lakeshore: Thursdays, August 13-August 27, 1:30-2:30pm