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PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Begins 9:30 am, Saturday, March 15

Three ways to register

1. At sclibrary.ca

Log into your library account to manage your program registrations

2. By phone Call **780-410-8600**

3. In person Visit the **Bookmobile** or the

library's Information Desks

How to read our program descriptions

Program Title

Registration (registered or drop-in)

(audience)

Program description.

Location (Strathcona County Library, Community Hall, online, etc.)

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Programs are **free** unless costs are listed.

Library cards are not required to register or attend.

Most programs offer a waitlist to join if they fill up.

Each season, the library schedules outdoor programs, but we are aware that environmental conditions are not always cooperative. Prior to an outdoor program, staff will monitor for conditions like very high or very low temperatures, heavy rain or snow, and residual smoke from fire situations. If it becomes clear that running a program outdoors poses a risk to the health and safety of patrons and staff, we reserve the right to cancel or reschedule that program.

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Go to **strathcona.ca** and search for Parking.



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Animal Encounters

Registered

(For children ages 3 and up with an adult) See pg 12 for details.

Family Tech Time: Music and Sound

Drop-in

FAMILIES

(For children of all ages with their adults)

Experiment with sound recording and editing, music-making technology and more. Drop in any time during the program.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date	
Wed	6:00 - 7:30 pm	Apr 9	
Ardrossan Recreation Centre Cedar Room			
Day	Time	Date	

Mon 6:30 - 8:00 pm Apr 14

Family Discovery Hour: Wonders of Wildlife Rehabilitation

Registered

(For children of all ages with their adults) See pg 12 for details.

Family LEGO

Drop-in

(For children of all ages with their adults)
Join us for some self-guided LEGO play for the whole
family. We'll bring the LEGO (and DUPLO for the little ones),
and you bring your imagination!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	6:00 - 7:30 pm	Apr 22
Fri	6:00 - 7:30 pm	May 23

Family Tech Time: Art

Drop-in

(For children of all ages with their adults)

Explore making art with coding, AI and other technology tools! Drop in any time during the program.

Partridge Hill Community Hall

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Thu 6:30 - 8:00 pm Strathcona County Lib		,
Day	Time	Date
Wed	6:00 - 7:30 pm	Jun 11

Family Tech Time: Augmented Reality

Drop-in

(For children of all ages with their adults)
Augmented reality brings new life to science, art and more.
Drop in any time during the program and try out this exciting technology!

Date

Strathcona County Library

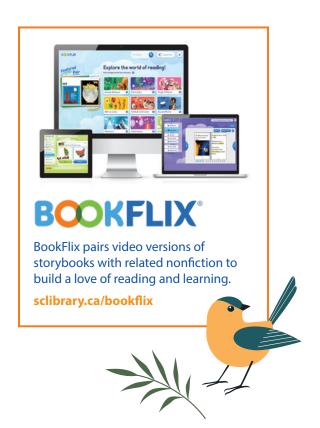
Wed	6:00 - 7:30 pm	May 14	
Brook	ville Community	Hall	
Day	Time	Date	
Mon	5:00 - 6:30 pm	May 26	
North	Cooking Lake Co	mmunity	Hall
Day	Time	Date	
Fri	12:30 - 2:00 pm	Jun 13	

Time

Family Discovery Hour: Fish Scale Art

Registered

(For children of all ages with their adults) See pg 13 for details.



Weekly Drop-in Programs

Unfortunately, preschool programs cannot accommodate childcare or preschool groups of six or more children.

Please contact preschool@sclibrary.ca, and we'll be happy to book a custom library visit for your group.

Baby Laptime

Drop-in

(For ages birth - 12 months with an adult. No older siblings please)

Join us for a lively program filled with songs and rhymes that you and your little one can enjoy together. Support your baby's early literacy development while connecting with other families in the community.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	11:00 - 11:30 am	Apr 1 - Jun 10
Wed	1:30 - 2:00 pm	Apr 2 - Jun 11
Thu	1:30 - 2:00 pm	Apr 3 - Jun 12

Baby Mingle

Drop-in

(For ages birth - 18 months with an adult.

No older siblings please)

Looking to get out of the house and meet other parents and babies? Join us on Mondays for Baby Mingle! Enjoy a safe space for your little one to explore while you meet and mingle with other new parents. Drop in any time during the program.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date	
Mon	1:00 - 3:00 pm	Mar 31 - Jun 9	
No program Apr 21 and May 19			

Toddler Time

Drop-in

(For ages 1 - 3 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome)

This active program is filled with songs, rhymes, stories and lots of movement for little ones on the go. Develop early literacy skills and make new friends in the community.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Mon	11:00 - 11:30 am	Mar 31 - Jun 9
Tue	9:45 - 10:15 am	Apr 1 - Jun 10
Wed	9:45 - 10:15 am	Apr 2 - Jun 11
No program Apr 21 and May 19		

Family Storytime

Drop-in

(For ages 3 - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome)

Designed for preschoolers and their caregivers, this drop-in program is filled with engaging stories, music and activities that support imagination and early literacy development.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Mon	9:45 - 10:15 am	Mar 31 - Jun 9
Tue	9:45 - 10:15 am	Apr 1 - Jun 10

No program Apr 21 and May 19

Rise and Shine Storytime

Drop-in

(For ages birth - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome)

Kick off your weekend with the whole family and enjoy stories, music and movement activities that support early literacy and language development.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	10:00 - 10:30 am	Apr 5 - Jun 7

Bookmobile Family Storytime

Drop-in

(For ages birth - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome)

Join us for a fun, engaging half hour of stories, songs, rhymes and activities selected for babies, toddlers, preschoolers and their caregivers. Pop into the Bookmobile while you're there!

South Cooking Lake Community Hall

Day	Time	Date
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Day	Time	Date
Tue	10:00 - 10:30 am	Apr 29 - Jun 3

Literacy at Play

Drop-in

(For ages 1 - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome)

One of the best ways for children to develop early literacy skills is through play! Connect with your child while exploring play-based literacy activities. Drop in any time during the program.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Thu	9:30 - 11:30 am	Apr 3 - Jun 12

Unfortunately, preschool programs cannot accommodate childcare or preschool groups of six or more children. Please contact **preschool@sclibrary.ca**, and we'll be happy to book a custom library visit for your group.

Preschool Storytime

Registered

(For ages 3 - 5, unparented)

Explore the world through stories, rhymes and musical activities designed to support early literacy development and school readiness. This program is for children ready for an independent experience without their caregiver. Please note: We require that a parent/caregiver stay in the children's area of the library for the duration of the program. Strathcona County Library

Session 1

Day	Time	Date
Tue	11:00 - 11:30 am	Apr 1 - May 6
Wed	9:45 - 10:15 am	Apr 2 - May 7

Please register for only one series per session. Registration opens Mar 15.

Session 2

Day	Time	Date
Tue	11:00 - 11:30 am	May 13 - Jun 10
Wed	9:45 - 10:15 am	May 14 - Jun 11

Please register for only one series per session. Registration opens Apr 22.

R.E.A.D. with the RCMP

Drop-in

(For ages 2 - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome)

Visit the library on the first Friday of the month for storytime with a special guest from the RCMP. Enjoy fun, interactive stories read by Constable Cheri-Lee Smith, and we'll end the morning with a craft!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Fri	10:00 - 10:30 am	Apr 4. May 2. Jun 6



Groupes de jeux en français/French Playgroups

L'inscription n'est pas obligatoire/Drop-in

(Pour les enfants de 0 à 6 ans/For ages 0 - 6) Comptines, bricolages et activités thématiques. Le tout en français! Une trousse de participation vous sera offerte. Présenté par l'Institut Guy-Lacombe de la famille (IGLF). Pour plus d'informations, veuillez contacter IGLF au 780-468-4882 ou à info@iglf.ca.

Nursery rhymes, crafts, and themed activities. All in French! A participation kit will be provided.

This program is presented by l'Institut Guy-Lacombe de la famille. For more information, please call 780-468-4882 or email info@ialf.ca.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Apr 19, May 17, Jun 21

Let's Get Wild Escape Room

Registered

(For ages 3 - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome) See pg 12 for details.

Toddler Tea Party

Registered

(For ages 1 - 3 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome) It's tea time! You are cordially invited to a storytime that's all about tea parties, followed by some light snacks. During this special bonding time, learn fun ways to build your toddler's vocabulary. Dress-up outfits are welcome!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Fri	11:00 - 11:45 am	Apr 25

Whimsical Woodland Storytime

Drop-in

(For ages birth - 12 months with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome)

Cozy up with your baby for magical tales, gentle songs, and soothing rhymes in the heart of the Enchanted Forest. Enjoy the warmth of cottagecore charm while encouraging early learning.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	2:00 - 2:30 pm	Apr 26

Preschool Prom

Drop-in

(For ages 1 - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome) It's prom night at the library! Get dressed up in what makes you feel your best and join us for a dance party at the library. Participants will get a keepsake photo to take home.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Fri	6:30 - 7:30 pm	May 30

Kindness Is Contagious

Registered

(For ages 3 - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome) It's always important to show compassion to those around us! Learn about kindness through inspiring stories and songs, and make a special gift to show someone how much you care. **Strathcona County Library**

Day	Time	Date
Fri	10·00 - 10·45 am	lun 13

Lil'Voyageurs Adventures

Drop-in

(For ages 1 - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome) See pg 13 for details.



Let's Talk About...

Books are a great tool for talking to kids about big emotions, life changes, and tough topics.

Find picture books about:

- New Siblings
- Empathy and Kindness
- Coping with Loss
- Anxiety
- and more

sclibrary.ca/great-reads-preschool

Parenting

Navigating Childcare Options for Parents and Caregivers

Registered

(For adults)

Finding the right childcare for your family can be overwhelming. Learn about the different childcare options in Alberta and what to look for in a quality program. *Presented by Alberta Resource Centre for Quality Enhancement.*

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Apr 30

Infant CPR

Registered

(For adults)

Learning how to respond in an emergency could save your child's life. This free class, led by a certified Strathcona County Emergency Services educator, is ideal for expecting parents and parents/caregivers of children under the age of one. You're welcome to bring along your baby if they're not actively walking. *Presented by Strathcona County Emergency Services*.

South Cooking Lake Community Hall

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Day	Time	Date	
Fri	10:00 - 11:00 am	May 23	



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Junior Book Club

Registered

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(For grades 3 - 6)

Join us to discuss great reads from our monthly theme! Pick a book related to the theme, enjoy fun activities and make new friends.

Strathcona County Library

Nifty Non-Fiction

	Day	Time	Date
	Wed	3:00 - 4:00 pm	Apr 2
Reads from Around the Globe			
	Day	Time	Date
	Wed	3:00 - 4:00 pm	May 7

Craftaganza

Registered

(For kindergarten - grade 6)

Do you love to craft and create? Join us for a quirky, abstract crafting session and create something you never expected! Each session will focus on a different theme.

Strathcona County Library

Paper

Day	Time	Date
Thu	4:00 - 5:00 pm	Apr 24
Recycled Crafts		
Day	Time	Date
Thu	4:00 - 5:00 pm	May 29

Rural Homeschool Family Hangout

Drop-in

(For all students and their adults)

Does your family homeschool? Join us for an hour of fun and interactive activities in the rural County, and visit the Bookmobile while you're there.

North Cooking Lake Community Hall

Day	Time	Date
Fri	12:30 - 2:00 pm	Apr 11, May 9, Jun 13

World Song

Registered

(For grades 1 - 3, parents welcome)

We know that birds sing, but did you know that many other animals sing too? Writer in Residence Anna Marie Sewell will show us that, if you listen closely, all of nature has a song to sing, and it can inspire us to take the music we hear around us to create beauty in our own lives. Sing, draw, craft and create with us as you hear the world's song and create a new verse of your own.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	4:00 - 5:00 pm	Apr 8



GRADE ONE READING KITS

If you're in grade one during June 2025, we have a special Grade One Reading Kit for you! The kit is free and contains fun activities that will keep you reading all summer long!

Kits are available starting June 1. Visit sclibrary.ca/grade-one-reading-kits for details about kit pickup.



Thank you to Enbridge for their generous sponsorship and support of the Grade One Reading Kits.



Did you know that every tiger has its own unique pattern of stripes?

Find more fun facts, plus videos, science experiments and more in

WORLD BOOK KIDS

sclibrary.ca/world-book-kids



Homeschool Hangout: Cool Collages and Conservation

Registered

(For grades 2 - 6, parents welcome)

Discover facts about animals and the threats they face today, then make a mixed media collage that shows their habitats.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	10:00 - 11:00 am	Apr 9

All About Bats

Registered

(For grades 1 - 6, parents welcome) See pg 12 for details.

Code an Alien Language

Registered

(For grades 4 - 6)

Try out machine learning with this fun coding project! Make up words in an alien language, then train the computer to understand them.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Fri	1:30 - 2:30 pm	May 2
Fri	3:30 - 4:30 pm	May 2

Please register for only one session.

Chemistry Is Cool

Registered

(For grades 1 - 6, parents welcome)

Join us for an afternoon stage show of live chemistry experiments with special guest Dr. Lucio Gelmini! You'll learn about the amazing chemistry happening all around you and see some chemical reactions in action!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	2:00 - 3:30 pm	May 3

Mindful Choices

Registered

(For grades 5 - 7)

Are you ready to take control of your life and excel in school? Join our Mindful Choices Youth Program, and discover how to blend mindfulness into your everyday decisions. Learn powerful techniques to handle life's challenges with ease and boost your resilience. Explore, grow, and become the best version of yourself! Offered in partnership with Strathcona County's Family and Community Services.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	4·30 - 5·15 pm	May 7 - 28





FestivalPlace.ca/CatKid





Audiobooks for Kids

Let stories come to life with audiobooks!

Listen to amazing stories on:

- CD
- Playaway (pre-loaded audiobook players)
- Libby and hoopla apps

Find them in the Discovery Zone, or visit sclibrary.ca/kids-subject/books-movies for downloadable audiobooks.

Teen Writing Group

Registered

(For grades 7 - 12)

Connect over Zoom with other teens who share a passion for writing.

Online

TWEENS AND TEENS

Day	Time	Date
Tue	4:00 - 5:00 pm	Apr 29, May 27

Anime Club

Registered

(For grades 7 - 12)

Join other anime enthusiasts for activities, snacks and anime watching!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Thu	4:00 - 5:00 pm	Apr 17, May 22

Tween Hangout

Registered

(For grades 5 - 8)

Join us for a variety of fun activities and snacks!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	4:00 - 5:00 pm	Apr 9, May 14, Jun 11

Blackout Poetry

Registered

(For grades 7 - 12)

Celebrate National Poetry Month by creating blackout poetry, with the option to display your work in the library and participate in our contest. Prizes up for grabs!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Mon	4:30 - 5:30 pm	Apr 7

Mini Dungeons & Dragons

Registered

(For grades 5 - 12)

All the fun of Dungeons & Dragons in half the time! Join us for a smaller D&D session, open to beginners and seasoned players.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	5:30 - 7:00 pm	Apr 23
Fri	4:00 - 5:30 pm	May 9

Pride Community Art Project

Registered

(For grades 7 - 12)

Join us as we work together to create a community art installation that will be displayed in the library in June for Pride Month! There will be pizza too!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Thu	5:30 - 7:00 pm	May 1

Teen Dungeons & Dragons

Registered

(For grades 7 - 12)

Get ready for an epic fantasy adventure at the library. This session is a stand-alone adventure perfect for both newcomers and experienced players.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Fri	1:30 - 4:30 pm	May 2

Mario Kart Tournament

Registered

(For grades 6 - 12)

Calling all Mario Kart Masters! Here's a chance to show off your drifting skills and take home the crown. Snacks will be provided.

South Cooking Lake Community Hall

Day	Time	Date
Fri	2:00 - 3:30 pm	May 2

Mario Party Tournament

Registered

(For grades 7 - 12)

Come join us for a Mario Party tournament and the chance to win the title of Mario Party Super Star. There will be prizes and snacks!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Thu	6:00 - 7:30 pm	May 15





Volunteer Opportunities

Summer Reading Game Volunteers

Grades 7 - 12

If you enjoy working with children, then we need you! Volunteer at the Children's Summer Reading Game and help kids finish this year's adventure. Application forms will be available at the Information Desk and on our website at **sclibrary.ca/teens** beginning in May. Application deadline: June 15, 5:00 pm

Teen Volunteer Book Reviews

Grades 7 - 12

Love sharing your thoughts on books? Earn volunteer hours by submitting reviews of recently published books!

Visit sclibrary.ca/teens for details or email us at teens@sclibrary.ca





Sat May 3, All Day

Free Comic Book Day is an annual event that sees participating organizations

across the globe give away special comic books for free! We'll be taking part this year, with selections for kids, teens and adults—while quantities last. Free Comic Book Day is happening in partnership with Rolling Tales Pop Culture.



Get ready for registration!

Tuesday, March 18 at 7 a.m. for swimming programs

Thursday, March 20 at 7 a.m. for all other programs and summer camps

strathcona.ca/registration

Questions? recreation@strathcona.ca Weekdays: 780-467-2211 Weekends/evenings: 780-416-3300



Go Wild with the Library!

From fur to feathers to fungus, we're adventuring into the wild this spring. Come learn with us about nature, conservation, and earthly living things. bit.ly/scl-Nature

Animal Encounters Registered

(For children ages 3 and up with an adult)
Join our special guests from Butterfly Wings n'Wishes, along
with their fascinating creatures for a hands-on session about
native species in our region. Learn about invertebrates, reptiles
and amphibians, including their life cycles, adaptations to
northern environments, roles in the ecosystem, and the

challenges faced by endangered and threatened species.

Presented by Butterfly Wings n' Wishes.

Deville/North Cooking Lake Community Hall

Day	Time	Date
Sun	1:00 - 2:00 pm	Apr 6

Family Discovery Hour: Wonders of Wildlife Rehabilitation

(For children of all ages with their adults)
Join an animal expert from WILDNorth to learn about wildlife

rehabilitation—from rescue to release—and how you can help wildlife in your community. Kits will be available with registration starting Monday, March 17.

Presented by WILDNorth.

Online

Day	Time	Date
Thu	6:30 - 7:30 pm	Apr 10

Let's Get Wild Escape Room Registered

(For ages 3 - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome) Match wild animals to their habitats and explore native plants! Take on a series of challenges to learn about the wildlife found on our beautiful planet.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Fri	9:45 - 10:30 am	Apr 11
Fri	11:00 - 11:45 am	Apr 11
Please register for only one session.		



All About Bats

Registered

(For grades 1 - 6, parents welcome) Learn all about bats and the important role they play in Alberta's wildlife environment with biologist Cory Olson. **Strathcona County Library**

Day	Time	Date
Sat	2:00 - 3:00 pm	Apr 12

Learn @ Your Library

The Magical World of Mushrooms Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Strathcona County Library

There's more to mushrooms than just the cremini you'll find at the supermarket! These mysterious organisms lurk in our cities and forests, play a critical role in our ecosystems, and even contain compounds that can bewitch and heal the human body and mind. Join mycology educator Martin Osis for a three-part journey into the fascinating science of fungi.

Intro to Mushrooms in Alberta

Day	Time	Date
Sun	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Apr 6

Mushrooms and Climate Change

Day	Time	Date
Sun	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Apr 13

All Mushrooms Are Medicinal

Day	Time	Date
Sun	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Apr 27

From Beaverhills to Guatemala (and back): The Migration of the Least Flycatchers Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Least Flycatchers are the most common breeding bird in the forests of the Beaverhill Natural Area. Chair Geoff Holroyd will share the Beaverhill Bird Observatory's study on the breeding habits and migration of the Least Flycatcher—to Guatemala and back—in stories and photos.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date	
Mon	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Apr 7	

Indigenous Events

Create, plant and learn with Indigenous hosts at the library this spring. We're celebrating National Indigenous History Month in June, but look for more programs for all ages throughout the year! bit.ly/scl-Indigenous-Programs

Threads of Connection: Weaving a Story of Place and Belonging

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Join Métis artist Krista Leddy to explore Métis culture and identity through storytelling, focusing on the Métis connection to Strathcona County. After a few stories, Krista will lead participants in making a small finger-woven piece, using the technique that Métis artists use to create the iconic Métis sash. Be prepared to laugh, learn, and make something nifty. Strathcona County Library

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Day	Time	Date
Wed	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Apr 9

Three Sisters Planting Experience

Drop-in

(All Ages)

We will be planting the Three Sisters (corn, beans and squash) in the traditional way of working with the land. Chantelle Gray, of Mâskwa Medicine, will lead us in both ceremony and planting. Learn about companion gardening the Indigenous way; and learn about the ARAS Community Growing Garden and plans for a community greenhouse. This is a hands-on program; come prepared to play in the dirt!

ARAS Community Growing Patch, 22177 Wye Road (South-east corner of RR222 and Wye Road)

Day	Time	Date
Sat	10:00 am - 1:00 pm	lun.

Blanket Exercise

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

The Blanket Exercise is an experiential standing workshop that explores the relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada. Blankets arranged on the floor represent land and participants are invited to step into the roles of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples. The goal is to build understanding about our shared history. *Participants should be able to stand comfortably for at least 15 minutes*.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Jun 7

This program has a CONTENT/TRIGGER WARNING: emotional content; mentions of trauma and genocide.

Lil' Voyageurs Adventures

Drop-in

(For ages 1 - 5 with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome) Join Felice Gladue from Metis ALIVE on a Métis voyageur adventure, complete with stories, songs and dance. This session will be interactive and engaging as we paddle in the rapids, portage fur bales and use a handy dandy sash to rescue our fellow voyageurs. Be ready for joyful movement, catchy little tunes and lots of laughter.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	10:00 - 11:00 am	Jun 17

Fish Scale Art

Drop-in

(Teens, adults and seniors)

Join in this drop-in craft activity, facilitated by Saskatchewan Métis Cree Elder Judy Osler. You'll learn a little about the history and process of fish scale art and create a fridge magnet to take home.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Jun 18

Family Discovery Hour: Fish Scale Art

Registered

(For children of all ages with their adults)
Join Krista Leddy, a Métis artist also known as Beaded
Chickadee, to transform recycled paper into beautiful
Métis fish scale art. This art form reflects our deep connection
to nature, highlighting the importance of reducing waste
and utilizing all of nature's gifts. Krista will share Métis
stories that connect fish scale art to themes of empathy,
rebuilding relationships, and the Métis worldview of our
interconnectedness. Kits will be available with registration
starting Monday, June 2.

Online

Day	Time	Date
Thu	6·30 - 7·30 nm	lun 19

Reading, Writing & Storytelling

Book Clubs

Meet new people and enjoy lively discussions featuring a variety of entertaining and diverse reads. We have several clubs to choose from and you're welcome to join in whether or not you've read the book. A limited number of books will be available at the main floor Information Desk one month before each program. You'll find upcoming dates and titles at sclibrary.ca/book-clubs

Quiet Book Club New

Drop-in

ADULTS AND SENIORS

(Adults)

Quiet Book Club offers a tranquil alternative for book lovers who enjoy the idea of a book club, but often scramble to finish the book or don't want the pressure of conversation. Bring whatever book you're reading and spend an uninterrupted hour reading in our cozy library chairs. You have the option to socialize and share afterwards, or just keep reading!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
2nd Wed	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Apr-Jun

The One-Hour Writer's Retreat

Registered

(Adults)

Join your peers to celebrate or commiserate as you work through the early stages of a literary career. This discussion group is designed for a range of writers: from those seeking their first publication credit all the way to those who are working towards publishing their second book. Find opportunities for networking and craft development, learn about industry opportunities, and gain skills in manuscript

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
4th Thu	7:00 - 8:00 pm	Apr-Jun

Stories for Adults

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Attend a gathering of enthusiastic oral storytellers as they share tales tall and true! Lend an ear or tell your own story among friends. Powered by Storytelling Alberta Strathcona and hosted by the library. For more information visit

storytellingalberta.com/strathcona

Strathcona County Library

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Day	Time	Date	Theme
Wed	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Apr 23	Raindrops
Wed	7:00 - 8:30 pm	May 28	Surprises



Railroad Rambles: Storytelling Benefit Concert

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Take a ride on the rails with stories tall and true, celebrating 200 years of railroad history! Presented by storytellers from Storytelling Alberta Strathcona. Admission is by donation, proceeds going to the Strathcona County Library.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date	Storytelling Alberta
Fri	6·30 - 8·30 nm	lun 6	Connecting through st



Writer in Residence: Writing Peace

Registered

(Teens, adults, and seniors)

War is in the air, and now is the time for all writers to gather our words and use them to build Peace. Writer in Residence Anna Marie Sewell will host dedicated Peace-Building guests who'll share their stories. Then we'll talk together, respond in writing, and share what hope and inspiration this gathering might bring.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date	
Wed	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Apr 2	

Celebration of Poetry

Registered

(Teens, adults, and seniors)

Celebrate National Poetry Month with a delightful afternoon of poetry, hosted by Writer in Residence Anna Marie Sewell and featuring two local poets. An open mic session will be included for those who are interested in sharing their own work. Co-presented with the Edmonton Poetry Festival.

Strathcona County Library

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Day	Time	Date	é of
Sat	2:00 - 4:00 pm	Apr 5	EDMONTON POETRY FESTIVAL

Writer in Residence: Writing Short Stories, Avoiding Pitfalls

Registered

(Teens, adults, and seniors)

2025 EPL Writer in Residence Rhonda Parrish is an award-winning short story writer who has edited over 30 anthologies. Join her in this workshop to get your story started, learn how to avoid common pitfalls, and maximize potential for publication.

Online

Day	Time	Date	
Wed	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Mav 14	

Seniors' Week Writing: Making Peace with History

Registered

(Seniors)

In your youth, what did you know about Indigenous people and their history? As a senior, what do you know, and what do you still want to learn? Together with Writer in Residence Anna Marie Sewell, let's explore these questions through writing. We'll write and share, expanding our understanding of Indigenous history in the context of our own lives. Then we'll revisit the guestions, writing to make peace across cultural divides. Bring your preferred writing tools.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Jun 3

Science & Nature

See pg 12 for details.

Authors & Experts

Prospecting in the Northwest Territories

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Experience the true story of four companions on a 1970 adventure in the remote Canadian Shield, east of Yellowknife and Great Slave Lake. While searching for mineral riches in this uninhabited wilderness, they found themselves stranded without money for a return flight. Geologist Lee Moldenhauer will share the stories, pictures, and tools he brought back from this adventure. Lee's book *Prospecting in the Northwest* Territories will be for sale after the program (cash only).

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	7:00 - 8:00 pm	Apr 30

Understand Gender Stereotyping Registered

(Teens, adults, and seniors)

In this interactive Pride Month program, we'll unpack gender stereotypes and how they play a role in sexual violence. We'll also cover topics like consent and coercion, and share skills and resources for what to do if someone discloses to you that they've experienced sexual violence. This session will be led by a member of the Public Education team at the Sexual Assault Centre of Edmonton (SACE). All genders and orientations are welcome.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Jun 17



Free Comic Book Day is an

annual event that sees POP CULTURE participating organizations across the globe give away special comic books for

free! We'll be taking part this year, with selections for kids, teens and adults—while quantities last. Free Comic Book Day is happening in partnership with Rolling Tales Pop Culture.

Arts & Crafts Craft Circle

Registered (Teens, adults, and seniors)

Come craft with us! The library is hosting a weekly Zoom crafting circle, where you can connect with fellow craftspeople for conversations and laughter, as you work on your own project.

Online

Day	Time	Date
Every Mon	7:00 - 8:00 pm	Apr-Jun

Intuitive Wisdom Cards for Self-Discovery

Registered

(Adults)

Embark on a creative journey of connection with your inner wisdom, in this empowering workshop with coach and educator Larissa Russell. You'll create cards, artistic representations of the intuitive guidance and spiritual insights that reside within you. No artistic experience needed—just bring your curiosity! *All material provided*.

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Day	Time	Date
Tue	6:30 - 8:30 pm	Apr 1

Celebrate Earth Day: Textile Woven Basket

Registered

(Adults)

Celebrate Earth Day by making your own woven basket or bowl from upcycled T-shirts and textiles. Sarah Janzen, garment recycler and maker, will get you started on the easy steps of weaving your own unique creation. Bring unusable T-shirts with you, or use the saved-from-landfill material provided. *All other material provided*.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	6:30 - 8:30 pm	Apr 16

Stitch Your Pride

Registered

(Adults)

Learn to cross stitch in an inclusive environment, creating your very own pride flag. *All material provided*.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	6:30 - 8:30 pm	Jun 25



Health & Wellness

Forest Bathing

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Take time to de-stress and reconnect during a relaxing and rejuvenating forest therapy walk. Inspired by the Japanese practice of shinrin-yoku, it's not your typical walk in the woods – Certified Forest Therapy Guide Laura McLaughlin will lead you through a series of activities designed to help you slow down, fully engage your senses and notice your surroundings. You'll need your own transportation to the off-site location.

Offsite TBD

Day	Time	Date
Wed	6:30 - 8:30 pm	May 21

Managing Menopause

Registered

(Adults)

Not feeling like yourself? Join Kim Small, Registered Nurse from the Sherwood Park Primary Care Network and Menopause Society Certified Practitioner, for an evidence-based discussion to aid in navigating the menopause journey. Discover ways to help manage menopause symptoms through lifestyle changes, non-prescription and prescription therapy options.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Jun 10

Therapeutic Crystal Singing Bowls & Sound Bath

Registered

(Adults)

Learn why quartz crystal bowls promote relaxation and reduce stress. Following an informative talk, you'll relax to a sound bath by music educator Marcus Fung. *Bring cushioning to lie or sit comfortably on the floor: yoga mat, pillow, or blanket.*

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Mon	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Jun 16

Games & Recreation

Chess Meetup

Drop-in

(All ages

Stop by the library to play a quick (or not-so-quick) game of chess. Open to all ages and skill levels.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Every Wed	3:00 - 5:00 pm	Apr-Jun

Memory and Board Games

Registered

(Seniors)

Let's meet and improve our memory! Enjoy some board games and memory exercises to help keep your grey matter sharp.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
2nd Fri	1:00 - 3:00 pm	Apr-Jun

Dungeons & Dragons

Registered

(Teens and adults)

Grab your dice and get ready to play the classic role-playing game of swordplay and sorcery. Each session will offer a stand-alone adventure, where you'll solve puzzles, battle mythical creatures, and make crucial choices. Whether you're a seasoned adventurer or new to the game, gather your courage and prepare for an unforgettable journey!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	1:00 - 4:00 pm	May 24

Travel & Culture

Travel Club

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Join fellow travellers for a fun afternoon program, sharing travel tips and favourite destinations.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
1st Fri	3:00 - 4:30 pm	Apr-Jun

Travel Crete

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Join enthusiastic traveller Amanda Robinson, to hear about her month-long stay in Chania on the island of Crete, Greece. Together, we'll explore Crete's attractions, beaches, cuisine and animals. We'll also test your knowledge with some fun trivia questions about the island!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Apr 8

Staycation: Follow the Railroad

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Planning an Alberta-based staycation? Gary Buchanan and Sylvia Hertling will share fun and interesting historical locations, all within a 2-3-hour drive from Sherwood Park. Bring your ideas and travel tips to share!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	7:00 - 8:15 pm	Jun 3

Better U

Registered

(Seniors)

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Join us every month to discuss, learn, and make new connections. Better knowledge means Better U!

Chair Yoga

Chair Yoga can be both rejuvenating and relaxing. Ting Pimentel-Elger, certified and registered yoga teacher, will lead us in some senior-oriented chair yoga and teach us yoga techniques that can be easily implemented into daily life.

Day	Time	Date
Fri	10:00 - 11:30 am	Apr 2

Pressed Flower Luminary

Craft a decorative pressed flower luminary in this workshop, led by library staff. Participants will use delicate, dried flowers and wax paper to create a work of art that will bring a touch of nature indoors or an atmospheric glow outdoors. All materials will be provided, and no prior crafting experience is necessary—just bring your creativity!

Day	Time	Date
Fri	10:00 - 11:30 am	May 16

Reconnect and Renew

Navigating strained relationships with family and loved ones can be challenging. In this workshop, Kim Silverthorn (R.P.C., M.P.C.C., C.T.) of Tacit Knowledge will share practical advice on how to approach reconnection with empathy and healthy communication. Participants can learn strategies to manage their own emotions, set and respect boundaries, and maintain realistic expectations while reaching out to loved ones. The focus will be on empowering you to rebuild or stabilize difficult relationships—in a way that prioritizes well-being.

Day	Time	Date
Fri	10:00 - 11:30 am	Jun 20

Movies & Music

Monday Movie Matinee

Drop-in

(Adults and seniors)

Enjoy a film at the library on the last Monday of the month. Titles and run times announced at the beginning of each month. Films are not suitable for children.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Last Mon	2:00 - 4:30 pm	Apr-May

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Jobs & Money

Transferable Skills: The Key Ingredient to Changing Careers

Registered

(Adults)

Identify the valuable skills that you've gained through work, volunteering, parenting and other aspects of your life! Through a range of facilitated activities, self-assessment and discussion, you'll unlock your "hidden skills" and explore ways to leverage these assets in your job search, your resume and in that all-important interview! Presented by BGS Career Ventures.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	10:00 am - 1:00 pm	Apr 12

Resume & Cover Letter Writing

Registered

(Teens, adults, and seniors)

Are you looking for work? Join the library's Resume Tutor for this small group workshop, and learn how to make your resume and cover letter stand out! Be sure to bring your current resume and any job postings you find interesting.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	10:00 am - 12:30 pm	Apr 26
Sat	10:00 am - 12:30 pm	Jun 21

Interview Workshop

Registered

(Adults)

Ace your next interview! Build confidence, learn strategies, and practice interview questions at this workshop. Impress prospective employers and land that job! Presented by BGS Career Ventures.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	10:00 am - 3:00 pm	May 10

Financial Planning Through Separation & Divorce

Registered

(Adults)

Financial planning through a separation or divorce has unique challenges and considerations, including division of assets, support payments, child expenses, your financial rights, and managing the transition of cash flow to a single income household. This session does not replace personalized professional advice; however, you will leave with a better understanding of what needs to be considered and some tools to navigate your situation. Presented by Crystal Kelley, Certified Financial Planner.

Online

Day	Time	Date
Thu	7:00 - 8:30 pm	May 15

Applying for Work Online

Registered

(Teens and adults)

If you're searching for work, it's vitally important to understand how to apply online. In this workshop, the library's Resume Tutor will teach you how to locate suitable jobs, ensure your application impresses eyes on the other side of the screen, and protect yourself from recruitment scams.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	10:00 am - 12:30 pm	May 24

Online, LinkedIn and Social Media Job Search Registered

(Teens, adults, and seniors)

Join us for an energizing mix of instruction and hands-on experience that will help you gain the confidence to conduct an effective online job search, including creating your own online profile. Please bring your laptop or tablet or notify us in advance if you need to borrow a device. Presented by BGS Career Ventures.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Sat	10:00 am - 3:30 pm	Jun 14

Starting Your Investment Journey Registered

Investing can be part of a healthy financial future, with the potential for creating additional income. Join us as we explore the benefits of starting your investment journey, and learn how to avoid common investing mistakes and fraud. Presented by the Alberta Securities Commission, the regulatory agency responsible for administering the province's securities laws.

Online

Day	Time	Date
Tue	7:00 - 8:00 pm	lun 24

Make Tax Time Pay

Do you need help with your taxes?

The e4c organization offers free, confidential tax preparation of simple tax returns for qualified lowincome residents of Strathcona County. Tax filing will be done on a first-come, first-served basis. To check if you eligible for this service, please go to tax.e4calberta.org

This program is made possible by a partnership with Volunteer Strathcona and Strathcona County Library.





Home & Garden

The Simplicity of Drip Irrigation

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Water your garden more efficiently! Professional horticulturalist Sharon Wallish Murphy shares the principles, versatility, and efficiency of drip irrigation systems and brings an easy-to-follow method for making or installing a drip irrigation system. Bring a notebook and pen!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Mon	7:00 - 8:15 pm	Apr 14

Enjoy Life with Your Dog Again

Registered

(Adults)

Certified Dog Behaviour Consultant Govind Pillai is a passionate advocate for ethical treatment of all canine and human learners. He will share tips on force-free training, a positive approach that will enhance your relationship with your dog.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Thu	7:00 - 8:30 nm	May 1

What's Wrong with My Tree?

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Tree specialist Toso Bozic shares his knowledge of common tree diseases and problems, focusing on the cause behind the symptoms. Bring your questions!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	7:00 - 8:30 pm	May 7

Awakening the Forgotten Garden

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Taking a garden from weedy wilderness to productive and beautiful is no small feat! Connect with avid gardener Marie-Catherine O'Neill, as she shares her journey of awakening her garden and soil to become a home to medicinal herbs, vegetable harvests and mini orchards.

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Thu	7:00 - 8:00 pm	Jun 5



The Library is working with partners to provide gardening programs in the rural area. See pg 22 and 23.

History & Genealogy

Family Tree Trackers: Deep Dive into FamilySearch's Tools

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Experienced genealogist Terry Poulin will present the newest and most useful tools found on FamilySearch.org. He'll share the best methods to find, record and correct your ancestors' histories and trees, attach sources and find place and language lists. Bring your questions!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Thu	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Apr 10

Family Tree Trackers: Newest in DNA Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Genetic genealogist Ellen Thompson-Jennings shares the newest information in the genetic genealogy world, along with tools to help you better understand your DNA results. Strathcona County Library

Day Time Date

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Thu	7:00 - 8:30 pm	May 8

Family Tree Trackers: Solving Difficult Problems

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

How do we overcome brick walls in our genealogy journeys? Using real examples from the group, we'll explore how to brainstorm the next steps and get your research moving again. Email your own family research stumper to shertling@sclibrary.ca by May 11 to be considered for this program.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Thu	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Jun 1

Athabasca Landing Route

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Discover the history of the Athabasca Landing Route, a vital transportation link between Edmonton and Fort McMurray, from 1880 to 1920. Used by the Hudson's Bay Company for freight, furs, and travellers, it relied on skilled boatbuilders and rivermen. Join Dr. Allison McKinnon for an engaging talk on the colourful people and events that shaped this key chapter in Alberta's history.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	10:00 - 11:00 am	May 27

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Computers & Technology

Tech News Discussion Group

Registered

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(Adults and seniors)

Stay ahead of the curve in the ever-evolving world of technology. Join our staff for a lively and informative conversation about the latest news from the tech world - and how it impacts us. Bring your questions and ideas!

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date	
2nd Tue	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Apr-Jun	

Tech Troubleshooting

Drop-in

(Adults and seniors)

Having trouble with your digital devices? Drop in for some assistance on the first Saturday afternoon of each month. We can help solve lots of problems, and for the ones we can't, we can help diagnose the issues so you know where to go next. Bring the tablet, phone, laptop or other device that's giving you troubles and drop in any time between 1 and 4 pm.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
1st Sat	1:00 - 4:00 pm	Apr-Jun

Getting Started with Windows 11

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

New to Windows 11? Learn how it works in this two-session program. We'll cover navigating the desktop, connecting to the internet and downloading apps. *Please bring your fully-charged Windows 11 laptop or tablet*.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Thu	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Apr 3 & 10
Wed	2:00 - 3:30 pm	May 21 & 28

Getting Started with Apple Devices

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

We'll cover the basics in this two-session program: using your device's touchscreen, connecting to the internet and downloading apps. *Please bring your fully-charged Apple iPad or iPhone.*

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Apr 15 & 22
Thu	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Jun 5 & 12

Getting Started with Android

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Let's start from the beginning in this two-session program: using your Android device's touchscreen, connecting to the internet and downloading apps. Please bring your fully-charged Android phone or tablet. (No Apple devices please.) Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Apr 30 & May 7

Tue 2:00 - 3:30 pm Jun 17 & 24

Intro to Podcasting

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Have you ever thought, "Someone should make a podcast about that"? That someone could be you! In this informative class, we'll explore the essentials of podcast creation, including drafting scripts, recording techniques, editing audio, and launching your show. You'll also discover affordable tips for soundproofing your space, get an introduction to audio tools like Audacity and GarageBand, and learn how to effectively market your podcast.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Thu	7:00 - 8:00 pm	Apr 3

Intro to Managing Files on Your Apple Device

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

There are many options for storing files you need to access on the go: on your phone, in an app, or in the cloud. In this session, we'll show you how to organize your files on your apple device so you can easily find them later. You'll also learn how to upload files to websites or share them with apps.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Fri	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Apr 25

Intro to Password Management Tools

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

How can you make your online life more secure? One great way to start is by using better passwords. In this online session for beginners, we'll discuss how to create stronger passwords and—more importantly—how to use apps to remember them.

Online

Day	Time	Date
Thu	7:00 - 8:30 pm	May 15

Intro to Google Photo Management

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

The Google Photos app includes an assortment of tools that can help take and share pictures. Learn the fundamentals of organizing, backing up and sharing photos with your phone/tablet/computer and Google.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Wed	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Jun 18

Travelling with Your Technology Registered

(Adults and seniors)

There are many tech gadgets designed to make travel easier and more fun, but it's hard to know what's helpful and what might be a waste of luggage space. In this overview, we'll talk about current gadgets and apps—and help you decide what to bring along.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Fri	2:00 - 3:30 pm	May 23

Using Al for Work and Play

Registered

(Adults and seniors)

Join us for a discussion and demonstration of the best ways to use AI tools like ChatGPT and art generators for the tasks they're good at helping with, like reformatting text, making pictures, brainstorming and more.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Tue	7:00 - 8:30 pm	May 27



Digital device giving you trouble?

Try a one-on-one appointment with a **Tech Helper** to provide you with personalized troubleshooting advice.

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- · Call 780-410-8600
- Visit a library Information Desk or ask at the Bookmobile
- Go online at sclibrary.ca/tech-help and look for the
- "Book a Tech One-on-One Appointment" button

Newcomers

English Conversation Circle

Drop-in

Practice your English speaking and listening skills with a friendly volunteer.

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Every Mon	6:00 - 7:30 pm	Every Month
Every Wed	9:30 - 10:30 am	Every Month

Drop-in English

Drop-in

Improve your English. All levels welcome. *No registration needed, \$10 if you can pay.*

Strathcona County Library

Day	Time	Date
Every Wed	7:00 - 8:45 pm	Every Month

For more information call/text the Community Adult Learning and Literacy Society (CALLS) 780-667-8441 or visit **whatdidyoulearntoday.ca**



Community Adult Learning & Literacy Society
Fort Saskatchewan & Strathcona County



EASA IMMIGRANT SERVICES Association

Grazyna Pakos Library Settlement Practitioner

email: gpakos@shawbiz.ca call: 780-717-7704

Are you new to Canada?

Grazyna can help you to do things like:

- Find a place to live
- Set up your bank accounts
- Obtain government documents, like an Alberta Health Card, Social Insurance Number (SIN), Driver's License, Canada Child Tax Benefit
- Assess your work skills, get accreditation and licensing
- Help students adjust to a new school

Citizenship and Immigration Canada has partnered with the Edmonton Immigrant Services Association and Alberta libraries to offer the **Library Settlement Services** program. The objective of this program is to connect newcomers to services and resources in the community, through a Settlement Practitioner based in a local library.



Growing Partnerships!

Grow Your Own is a unique series of partnered programs designed to bring beginner to expert gardeners together. In collaboration with the Colchester & District Ag Society, Colchester Community League, and Strathcona County Library, **Grow Your Own** aims to support you in creating a sustainable food supply for your family. Enjoy a meal together, learn together, share ideas. **Space is limited for these registered adult programs**. Minimal cost of \$15 for supplies.

Tuesday evenings from 5:30 - 8:00 pm at Colchester Community Hall, 23219 Township Road 520

March 25 - How Did Your Garden Grow?

April 22 - Filling Your Pantry

May 20 - Tips & Tricks to Boost Production

The **ARAS Community Growing Patch** (ardrossanag.ca) is a great place for families to be hands-on with food! Get back to growing: share ideas, pass skills on to the next generation, experience the wonder! *Drop in and free!* Programs run Saturdays 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

22177 Wye Road (South-east corner of RR222 & Wye Road)

May 3 - Irrigation in the Garden

June 7 - Three Sisters Planting Experience

Watch for more partnered Strathcona County Library programs happening at the ARAS Community Growing Patch this summer!

Looking for programs that happen in rural Strathcona?

You'll find several within each section of our guide. Location is listed after each description.



Let's Be Prepared

A series of programs brought to you by South Cooking Lake Community League and Strathcona County Library to help prepare for the upcoming fire season. These programs run Sundays, from 1:00 - 2:30 pm. Free and drop-in at South Cooking Lake Community Hall, 22106 South Cooking Lake Rd

Presentations by Strathcona County Community Safety Educators, and James Williams, Husqvarna rep for Xtreme Marine/Wyse Guys

Chainsaw Safety

Sunday, Mar 30

FireSmart Your Property Sunday, Apr 6

Rural Emergency Preparedness Sunday, Apr 13

BOOKMOBILE SPECIAL VISITS (ending Jun 27)

Tuesdays

Brookville Community Hall 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Thursdays

South Cooking Lake Community Hall 9:30 - 11:30 am

Fridays

Fultonvale/Strathcona Olympiette Centre 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (omit Apr 18, ends Jun 20) Deville/North Cooking Lake Community Hall 12:30 - 2:00 pm (omit Apr 18)

'Part of the Service, Part of the Community'

BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE

Proud to deliver library services to a location near you!

Monday

Deville/N Cooking Lake Comm Hall 3:30 - 4:30 pm Brookville Community Hall 5:00 - 6:00 pm Ardrossan Recreation Complex 6:45 - 8:15 pm

Tuesday

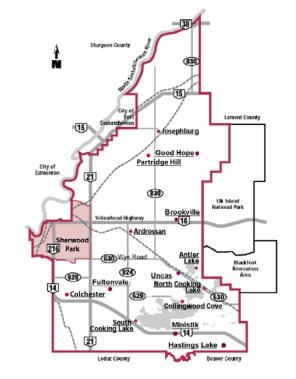
Strathcona Olympiette Centre 2:30 - 3:30 pm
Hastings Lake Community Hall 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Ministik (Old school parking lot) 5:15 - 6:00 pm
South Cooking Lake Comm Hall 6:15 - 7:30 pm
Colchester Community Hall 7:45 - 8:30 pm

Wednesday

Partridge Hill Community Hall 4:00 - 5:00 pm Good Hope Community Hall 5:30 - 6:30 pm Moyer Rec Centre Josephburg 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Thursday

Collingwood Cove 3:30 - 4:30 pm Uncas (Country Mercantile Store) 5:00 - 6:30 pm Antler Lake/Uncas Comm Hall 7:00 - 8:00 pm



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HOURS	Mon - Fri	9:30 am - 9:00 pm	
	Sat	9:30 am - 5:00 pm	
	Sun	1:00 - 5:00 pm	
R	CLOSED DAYS		
LIBRARY	Good Friday	Fri Apr 18	
=	Easter	Sun Apr 20 & Mon Apr 21	
	Victoria Day	Mon May 19	

	Central Library	Outside - right of entrance
		Inside - right of entrance
2		Parkade - P1 near the public elevators
BINS	Ardrossan Recreation Centre	West side near the curling rink
Z	Bethel Transit Centre	Southwest corner
JR	Bookmobile	Any stop
RETURN	Fort Saskatchewan Public Library	Outside - south entrance Inside - right of entrance
	Millennium Place	East entrance near the teen area
	Emerald Hills Leisure Center	Inside - right of entrance



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