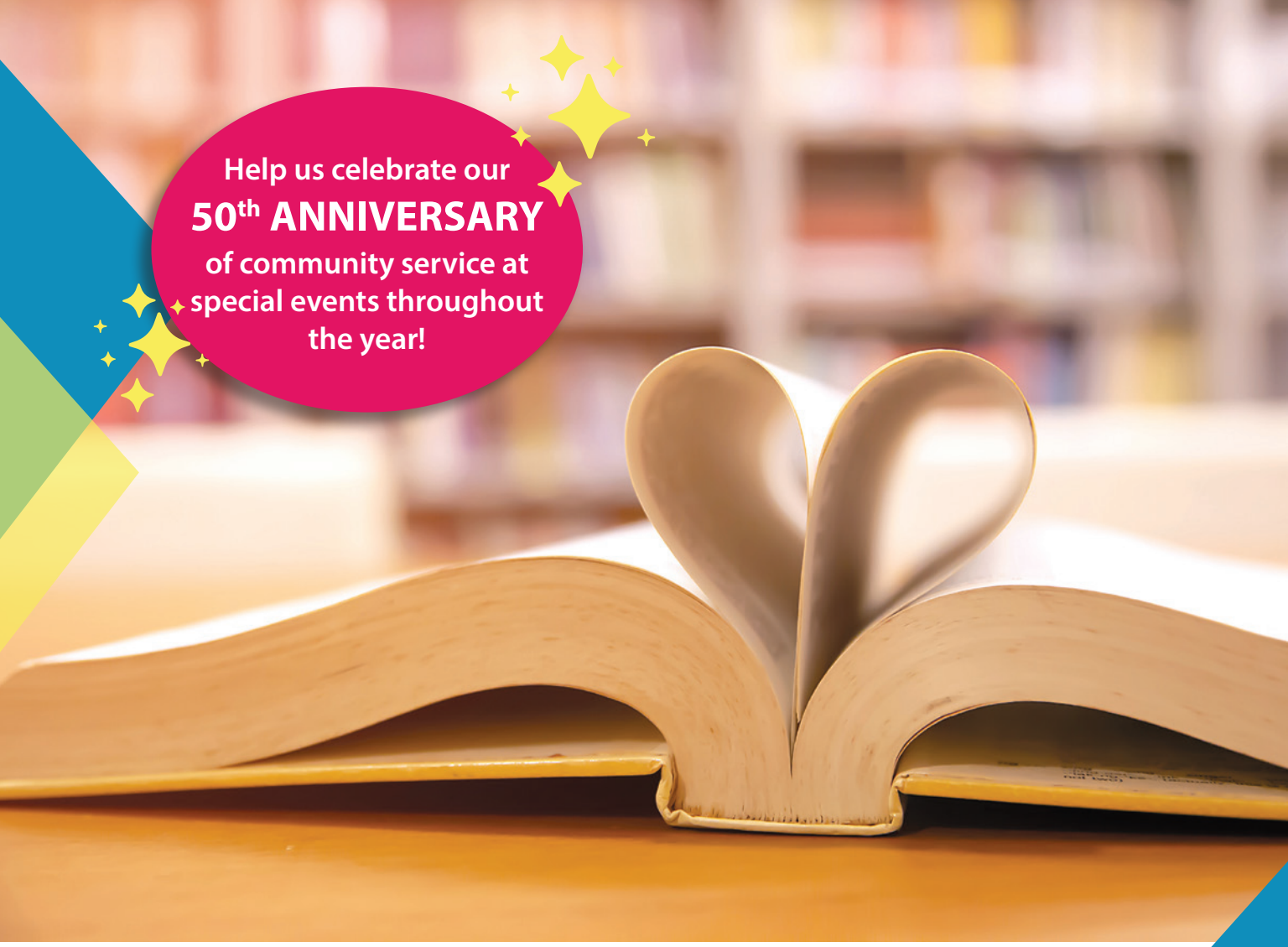


STRATHCONA COUNTY LIBRARY PROGRAM GUIDE

WINTER 2027

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Program registration begins Dec 12

50TH ANNIVERSARY
Strathcona County
LIBRARY

PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Begins 9:30 am, Saturday, Dec 12

Three ways to register

1. At sclibrary.ca — Programs & Events → 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**

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

Library cards are not required to register or attend.

Personal information is collected under authority of the Protection of Privacy Act, section 4(c), and is used to administer library programs and services. We respect your privacy and are committed to protecting the personal information you share with us. For questions about the collection of personal information please contact the library Privacy Officer at privacy@sclibrary.ca or (780) 416-6712.

Strathcona County Library works with some 3rd party vendor systems, some of which have servers located in the U.S.A.

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.

Library employees may take photos at programs and events for use in library publications, public reports, and on library social media channels.

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Unique Things to Try at Your Library this Winter:

- A **pet microchip scanner** to help you find a pet's owner, or find out if a new pet is microchipped or if an existing chip is working: **sclib.short.gy/PetScanner**
- Quiet Book Club? Diehards Book Club? Junior Book Club? We've got them all! View our **Book Clubs** on pg 8 and pg 12.
- A **flatbed scanner** you can check out and take home to digitize your photos or documents: **sclib.short.gy/FlatbedScanner**
- Free access to the online resource **Consumer Reports** to help you find product reviews and ratings: **sclibrary.ca/consumer-reports**
- **Your Next 5 Reads**: Personalized Reading (or Watching, Listening) Service for anyone wanting expert staff recommended items: **sclibrary.ca/next5reads**
- Find new and interesting items to take home right away with our browse-only collections: **Bestseller Express** in the library and **Bookmobile Browse** on the bus. See the Bookmobile schedule on pg 22-23.

Centre in the Park Public Parking

Public parking for the Centre in the Park area is managed through an integrated parking system by Strathcona County. The district has over 1,300 public parking stalls.

Check the County's website for parking information, maps and updates.

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

Land acknowledgement

We recognize that Strathcona County Library is located on Treaty 6 territory, the traditional home of the Nehiyawewak, Papaschase, Nakota Sioux, Tsuut'ina, Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee and within the Metis Nation homeland. We are grateful for their stewardship of this land over many centuries and for the opportunity for all of us to live, work, and play here in a spirit of cooperation and commitment to our treaty obligations. Acknowledging the wrongs done to Indigenous peoples that are part of our shared national history, we dedicate ourselves to moving forward in the spirit of partnership, reconciliation and collaboration.

FAMILY
PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise noted, family programs are open to children of all ages and must be attended with a caregiver.



Family Literacy Day 2027: Craft Together, Learn Forever

Family Literacy Day is a nationwide celebration of reading and learning together. This year's theme invites families to craft and create. Crafting is a fun and natural way for families to build skills through reading, storytelling and creativity.

Family Literacy Day Bookmobile Craft Kit

Pick up a take-home animal-themed craft kit at the Bookmobile during the week of **January 25 - 29**! Discover fun animal facts and create your own air-dry clay animal.

Junk for Joy!

Drop-in

Turn everyday recycled materials into something amazing! Families can build together using their creativity and a little bit of "junk." What will you make—a creature, a machine, a masterpiece or something completely unexpected?

Strathcona County Library

Sat Jan 30, 10:00 - 11:30 am

The Dragon Reading Game

January 4 - March 31

Read your way to a full fleet of dragon trading cards! Pick up a tracking sheet from the main floor Information Desk any time during the game to collect cards from the three dragon tribes: Water, Fire and Earth.

Earn one card per week for 15 minutes of reading and a customisable bonus card for 30 minutes of reading. During Spring Break, earn a special edition card for 30 minutes of reading!

Fidget Fun!

Bookmobile Winter Reading Game

January 4 - February 16

Join the Bookmobile's Fidget Fun Winter Reading Game for children of all ages! Pick up a reading log and read to earn a Fabulous Fidget of your own. Keep Calm and Fidget On at the Bookmobile!

Chess Meetup

Drop-in

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

Every Wed, Jan-Mar, 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Family Tech Time: Art

Drop-in

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

Strathcona County Library

Mon Jan 18, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Hastings Lake Community Hall

Tue Mar 30, 4:00 - 5:15 pm

Family LEGO

Drop-in

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! At the Partridge Hill session, try a stop motion app to bring your creations to life.

Strathcona County Library

Tue Jan 19, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Tue Feb 16, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Fri Mar 19, 4:00 - 5:30 pm

Partridge Hill Community Hall

Wed Mar 24, 4:00 - 5:30 pm

Family Tech Time: Circuits

Drop-in

Learn about circuits and conductivity through hands-on activities! *Drop in any time during the program.*

Antler Lake Community Hall

Thu Feb 4, 6:30 - 7:45 pm

Strathcona County Library

Mon Mar 15, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Family Tech Time: Robots and Coding

Drop-in

Learn about robots and block-based coding languages! *Drop in any time during the program.*

Strathcona County Library

Mon Feb 8, 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Brookville Community Hall

Mon Mar 8, 5:00 - 6:15 pm

Family Discovery Hour: Candy Construction

Registered

Turn Valentine's Day candy into an awesome engineering project! Start by building shapes out of toothpicks and candy, then test your building skills by attempting a 3D geodesic dome. It's the perfect mix of sweet treats and science.

Online

Thu Feb 11, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Family Day Fun!

Drop-in

Join the Strathcona County Library and the Family Resource Network for an afternoon of family fun! Make a craft, build with everything from large foam blocks to small LEGO, enjoy a hot chocolate, check out the Bookmobile, and visit with Tansi, the Great Horned Owl from the Beaverhill Bird Observatory. *Drop in any time during the program.*

Deville North Cooking Lake Community Hall

Mon Feb 15, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Jungle Joe's World of Animals

Registered

(For ages 3 and up with an adult, siblings of other ages welcome)

The Joe Show delights children with a lively blend of hilarious illusions, playful puppet pals and interactive fun. Perfect for preschool and elementary kids.

Strathcona County Library

Thu Mar 25, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Thu Mar 25, 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Please register for only one session.



Welcome Baby Gift Bags

Congratulations! You've welcomed a new baby into your family, and now we'd like to welcome you to ours. Each Welcome Baby gift bag contains a board book, a booklet of rhymes and songs, and information to support your baby's early literacy and learning.

Visit the library or Bookmobile to pick up your gift bag or receive it at your baby's immunizations at the Strathcona County Health Centre.

Thank you to the Friends of Strathcona County Library for sponsoring this service.

PRESCHOOL
PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise noted, preschool programs must be attended with a caregiver, and siblings of other ages are welcome.

PLEASE NOTE Unfortunately, preschool programs cannot accommodate childcare centres or preschools. Please contact **preschool@sclibrary.ca**, and we'll be happy to book a custom library visit for your group.

Weekly Drop-in Programs

Baby Laptime
Drop-in
(For ages birth - 12 months with an adult. No older siblings please)
Songs, rhymes and stories that help your baby grow and learn.
Strathcona County Library
Wednesdays, Jan 6 - Mar 17, 11:00 - 11:30 am
Thursdays, Jan 7 - Mar 18, 1:30 - 2:00 pm

Toddler Time
Drop-in
(For ages 1 - 3)
A high-energy program filled with songs, rhymes, stories and lots of movement for busy toddlers.
Strathcona County Library
Mondays, Jan 4 - Mar 15, 9:45 - 10:15 am
Wednesdays, Jan 6 - Mar 17, 9:45 - 10:15 am
Thursdays, Jan 7 - Mar 18, 9:45 - 10:15 am
No program Feb 15

Family Storytime
Drop-in
(For ages 3 - 5)
Stories, songs and fun activities for preschoolers and their families.
Strathcona County Library
Mondays, Jan 4 - Mar 15, 11:00 - 11:30 am
No program Feb 15

Rise and Shine Storytime
Drop-in
(For ages birth - 5)
Kick off your weekend with a lively program filled with stories, songs and rhymes.
Strathcona County Library
Saturdays, Jan 9 - Mar 20, 10:00 - 10:30 am
No programs Jan 30 and Feb 13.

Literacy at Play
Drop-in
(For ages birth - 5)
Learn through play at this interactive literacy circuit! Move from station to station as you and your child talk, play, read and create together. *Drop in any time during the program.*
Strathcona County Library
Tuesdays, Jan 5 - Mar 16, 10:00 - 11:30 am
South Cooking Lake Community Hall
Thursdays, Feb 4 - 25, 10:00 - 11:30 am
Brookville Community Hall
Tuesdays, Mar 9 - 30, 10:00 - 11:30 am

ABC & Me Unparented Storytime
Registered
(For ages 3 - 5, unparented)
Stories, songs and activities just for preschoolers! This storytime helps children get ready for school by building confidence, early literacy and social skills. *Caregivers do not stay in the room, but they must stay in the children's area of the library during the program. Register any time during the session.*
Strathcona County Library
Tuesdays, Jan 5 - Mar 16, 9:45 - 10:30 am
Wednesdays, Jan 6 - Mar 17, 11:00 - 11:45 am
Please register for only one series.

Baby Blocks Paint Night
Registered
(For adults)
A special outing just for new and expecting parents and caregivers! Grab a paintbrush and enjoy a relaxing evening of artsy fun as you design personalized alphabet blocks for the little one in your life while meeting other new parents and caregivers in the community.
Strathcona County Library
Fri Jan 8, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Babies and Blockbusters
Drop-in
(For ages birth - 12 months with an adult. No older siblings please)
Enjoy a free movie at the library! There will be lots of toys for the babies, and we'll keep the lights dimmed, subtitles on, and the sound at a comfortable level. Feel free to bring a blanket, stroller, or baby carrier for maximum comfort. Snacks are welcome, too! Check our website for upcoming films.
Strathcona County Library
Mondays, Jan 11, Feb 8, Mar 8, 1:00 - 3:30 pm

¡Hola! Spanish Rhyme Time
Drop-in
(For ages birth - 4)
Explore the Spanish language through music, movement and rhymes. Perfect for Spanish-speaking families and anyone looking to introduce their little ones to the language.
Strathcona County Library
Fri Jan 15, 10:15 - 10:45 am
Thu Feb 4, 10:15 - 10:45 am
Wed Mar 10, 2:30 - 3:00 pm

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.
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@iglf.ca.
Strathcona County Library
Saturdays, Jan 16, Feb 20, Mar 20, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Stuffie Slumber Party
Registered
(For ages 2 - 5)
Wear your comfiest PJs and bring your favourite stuffed animal for bedtime stories, then leave your stuffie behind for a night of secret library fun! Come back the next day to pick up your stuffie and see photos of their after-hours adventures.
Strathcona County Library
Fri Jan 22, 6:00 - 6:30 pm

R.E.A.D. with the RCMP
Drop-in
(For ages 2 - 5)
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
Fridays, Feb 5, Mar 5, 10:00 - 10:30 am

Happy Birthday, Library!
Registered
(For ages birth - 5)
It's the library's 50th birthday, and we're throwing a preschool party! Sing, dance, wiggle and celebrate with a special performance by children's musician Mr. Matt. Stick around afterward for a sweet treat and more birthday fun!
Strathcona County Library
Sat Feb 13, 10:00 - 10:30 am

Hello-Bonjour Storytime
Drop-in
(For ages 1 - 3)
Stories, songs and rhymes in English and French for families who are curious about introducing French at home. Storytime will be led primarily in English with simple French vocabulary introduced throughout.
Strathcona County Library
Thursdays, Feb 18 - Mar 18, 11:00 - 11:30 am

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Infant CPR
Registered
(For adults)
Learning how to respond in an emergency could save your child's life. This free class 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.*
Strathcona County Library
Wed Mar 3, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Fire Safety for Preschoolers
Registered
(For ages 3 - 5)
This interactive and informative program teaches preschoolers key fire safety messages like "Stop, Drop, and Roll" and what to do when a smoke alarm sounds. Participants will take home safety tips and materials to share with their families. *Presented by Strathcona County Emergency Services.*
Strathcona County Library
Fri Mar 12, 10:00 - 10:30 am

Mr. Matt's Musical Party!
Registered
(For ages 3 and up)
Join local children's musician and early childhood educator Mr. Matt for a fun-filled musical adventure. Enjoy energetic songs, playful movement and interactive music that will get the whole family moving and grooving!
Strathcona County Library
Wed Mar 31, 10:00 - 10:30 am

Mini Music with Mr. Matt
Registered
(For ages birth - 24 months)
Sing, dance and wiggle along with accomplished children's musician and early childhood educator Mr. Matt in this fun-sized musical performance made just for little listeners!
Strathcona County Library
Sat Apr 3, 10:00 - 10:30 am

ELEMENTARY PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise noted, elementary programs are unparented.

Junior Book Club
Registered
(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
Funny Books
Wed Jan 6, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Tales of Friendship
Wed Feb 3, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Stories from Other Worlds
Wed Mar 3, 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Winter Wonders
Registered
(For grades 2 - 4)
Learn about this magical season and the wonders of the northern lights with a hands-on science activity.
Strathcona County Library
Sat Jan 16, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Augmented Reality Creation
Registered
(For grades 4 - 6)
Make and animate virtual 3D objects that you can put into the world around you!
Strathcona County Library
Wed Jan 20, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Tue Jan 26, 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Please register for only one session.

Dazzling Doodlebots
Registered
(For grades 1 - 3)
Learn how robots are used for all kinds of jobs. We will make our own scribbling doodlebots and use them to make some fun art.
Strathcona County Library
Fri Jan 29, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Heart Art
Drop-in
(For kindergarten - grade 6, parents welcome)
Make a card for someone special, a beautiful craft using hearts to form an animal, or anything you like!
Strathcona County Library
Fri Feb 5, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

I Survived: Library Edition
Registered
(For grades 4 - 6)
Do you have what it takes to survive an extreme event? Make some basic survival tools and learn about some of the world's wildest weather.
Strathcona County Library
Wed Feb 17, 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Electricity Explorers
Registered
(For kindergarten - grade 3)
Learn about electricity and conductivity through hands-on experiments!
Strathcona County Library
Wed Feb 24, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Tue Mar 9, 6:00 - 7:00 pm
Please register for only one session.

Choose Your Own Adventure: Games, Colouring, or Crafts
Registered
(For kindergarten - grade 3)
Choose between stations with quiet activities (such as colouring, reading or crafting) or active games. Try one activity or mix it up—the choice is yours!
Strathcona County Library
Fri Mar 5, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Who's Hatching?
Registered
(For grades 1 - 3)
Find out all about amazing animal eggs and how they make the perfect home for the babies who grow inside them, then make an egg-cellent animal craft!
Strathcona County Library
Tue Mar 23, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Wings of Fire FanWing Fest
Registered
(For grades 4 - 6)
Come dressed in the colour of your favourite dragon and meet other FanWings while we do dragon-themed crafts and activities!
Strathcona County Library
Wed Mar 24, 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Homeschool

Homeschool Hangout
Registered
(For grades 2 - 6, parents welcome)

Recyclable Ocean Crafts
Learn fun facts about the oceans, as well as ways we can reduce, reuse and recycle to keep them healthy. Then we will make ocean-friendly crafts out of recycled materials.
Strathcona County Library
Thu Jan 14, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Origami Creatures
Learn how to transform a simple square of paper with expert instruction from Tara Woltjen. Master basic folding skills, then create a cool, interactive design like a flapping bird or a jumping frog!
Strathcona County Library
Wed Feb 10, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Soundwaves and Echolocation
Join us to observe how soundwaves work and how to tell if they're loud or quiet. We'll also talk about creatures that use echolocation and create our own echo artwork!
Strathcona County Library
Wed Mar 17, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Rural Homeschool Hangout
Registered
(For grades 2 - 6 with an adult)

Forensic Science
Who stole the cookies from the cookie jar? Become a detective and try fingerprinting, taking rubbings and solving clues to uncover the thief.
Deville North Cooking Lake Community Hall
Fri Jan 22, 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Kitchen Science
Create simple but exciting chemical reactions using everyday materials from the kitchen. Try shape-shifting oobleck, Skittles rainbow diffusion, pepper-and-soap surface tension and more!
Deville North Cooking Lake Community Hall
Fri Feb 19, 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Picture Book Clay Art
We'll read a book by Barbara Reid and create 3D clay art inspired by her illustrations. Learn to smear backgrounds, roll shapes and create texture, and make a masterpiece to take home!
Deville North Cooking Lake Community Hall
Fri Mar 19, 1:00 - 2:30 pm

TWEEN AND TEEN PROGRAMS

Tween Hangout
Registered
(For grades 5 - 8)
Join us for a variety of fun activities and snacks.
Strathcona County Library
Wednesdays, Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 10, 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Anime Club
Registered
(For grades 7 - 12)
Get together with other anime enthusiasts for manga recommendations, discussion, snacks and anime watching!
Strathcona County Library
Thursdays, Jan 21, Feb 18, Mar 18, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Teen Writing Group
Registered
(For grades 7 - 12)
Connect over Zoom with other teens who share a passion for writing.
Online
Tuesdays, Jan 26, Feb 23, Mar 30, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Paint Your Reading Year
Registered
(For grades 7 - 12)
Create a unique visual record of your reading year using watercolour. No experience necessary, snacks provided!
Strathcona County Library
Fri Jan 15, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Smash Bros. Video Game Tournament
Registered
(For grades 7 - 12)
Calling all Smash Bros. masters! Face off against fellow competitors with prizes for the winners and snacks for everyone. *A pizza meal will be provided.*
Strathcona County Library
Wed Feb 3, 5:30 - 7:00 pm

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 experienced players.
Strathcona County Library
Fri Feb 5, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Wed Feb 24, 3:00 - 4:30 pm

Bring Your Own Book
Registered
(For grades 7 - 12)
Come play Bring Your Own Book, a card game for book lovers that's like a cross between Apples to Apples and Mad Libs! Bring your own books from home to play with, or choose from our random selection of library books.
Antler Lake Community Hall
Thu Feb 18, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Digital Art Studio
Registered
(For grades 7 - 12)
Start by taking photos, then use a digital art app to transform them into cool, original art!
Strathcona County Library
Mon Feb 22, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Pizza and Pages: Fantasy
Registered
(For grades 7 - 12)
Grab a slice and chat about the fantasy books, movies and TV shows you've been into lately. Then see how your knowledge stacks up with some fun fantasy trivia. *A pizza meal will be provided.*
Strathcona County Library
Thu Mar 4, 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Tween Breakout Room
Registered
(For grades 5 - 9)
Work against the clock to examine the clues, solve the puzzle and break out of the mystery room.
Strathcona County Library
Mon Mar 22, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Mon Mar 22, 3:00 - 4:00 pm
Please register for only one session.

FrankenToys
Registered
(For grades 5 - 12)
IT'S ALIVE! Deconstruct dolls and scavenge from stuffies to create a monstrosi-toy. *All supplies will be provided, but you're welcome to bring toys to destroy.*
Brookville Community Hall
Mon Mar 22, 5:00 - 6:00 pm

Teen Dungeons & Dragons
Registered
(For grades 7 - 12)
Get ready for an epic fantasy adventure! This session is a stand-alone adventure perfect for both beginners and experienced players.
Strathcona County Library
Thu Mar 25, 2:00 - 5:00 pm

Make this year yours!

Meet your goals with help from the library.

STAY POSITIVE

Start a DIY project
Try calligraphy, painting, crochet and more with books, magazines, or video lessons on Craftsy.
sclibrary.ca/craftsy

Find your people
Meet people who share your interests at teen programs or intergenerational groups like Craft Circle (pg 13) and Chess Meetup (pg 17).

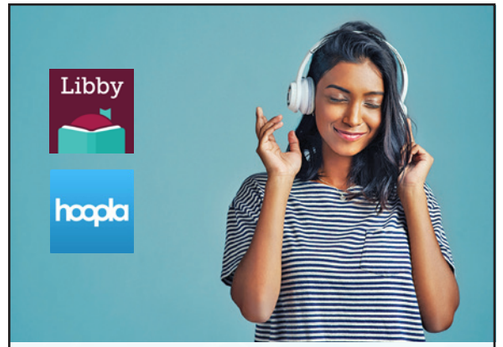
Take time to relax
Visit the library to find a comfy spot to read or hang out. Borrow a board game or Nintendo Switch controllers from the Information Desk.

Learn a language
Pick up a new language with interactive activities on Transparent Language Online.
sclibrary.ca/transparent-language-online

Explore careers
Discover different career paths with books in Teen Nonfiction. Ready to start applying for jobs? Join a workshop or book an appointment with our Resume Tutor (pg 20).

Reach your reading goals
Find hidden gems in our booklists (**sclibrary.ca/great-reads-teens**) or get a personalized reading list with Next 5 Reads (**sclibrary.ca/next5reads**).

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Includes math, science, language arts and social studies. Choose your classes, explore lessons and take practice quizzes.

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ADULT AND SENIOR PROGRAMS

All programs are intended for adults. Teens welcome where noted.

BOOK CLUBS

Meet new people and enjoy lively discussions about a variety of entertaining and diverse reads. Everyone is welcome whether or not you've read the selected book for the month. *A limited number of books will be available at the main floor Information Desk one month before the program.*

You'll find upcoming titles at **sclibrary.ca/programs**

Monday Afternoon Book Club
Drop-in
Strathcona County Library
3rd Mon, Jan-Mar, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Diehards Book Club
Drop-in
(Teens welcome)
Strathcona County Library
3rd Tue, Jan-Mar, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Tuesday Afternoon Book Club
Drop-in
Strathcona County Library
4th Tue, Jan-Mar, 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Thursday Afternoon Book Club
Drop-in
Strathcona County Library
1st Thu, Jan-Mar, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Quiet Book Club
Drop-in
An alternative for those who would like to be in a book club without the pressure of conversation or finishing the book. Bring a book and spend an uninterrupted hour reading in our cozy library chairs. You can socialize afterwards or just keep reading!
Strathcona County Library
2nd Wed, Jan-Mar, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

WRITING & STORYTELLING

Adult Storytelling Circle
Registered
Step into a night of stories, from ancient folktales to the joys and misadventures of our modern lives. Share a tale or simply listen in a relaxed, welcoming space. Powered by Storytelling Alberta, Strathcona Chapter and featuring guest storytellers. *For more information visit storytellingalberta.com.*
4th Wed, Jan-Mar, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
Online
Wed Jan 27 | Doreen Vanderstoop with a Dutch story
Wed Feb 24 | TBD
Strathcona County Library
Wed Mar 24 | World Storytelling Day

The One-Hour Writer's Retreat
Registered
Join your peers to celebrate, commiserate, learn about industry opportunities, and develop your craft through manuscript critique. This writing discussion group is designed for emerging writers, from those who are yet to be published to those who are yet to publish their second book.
Strathcona County Library
4th Thu, Jan-Mar, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Write It Out: Sharing Your 2SLGBTQ+ Story
Registered
(Teens welcome)
This four-part writing workshop is designed to uplift the voices and lived experiences of 2SLGBTQ+ adults and their friends, family, and allies. Explore personal stories about coming out, identity, belonging, resilience, and community. Participants can refine their work in a supportive environment and publish completed stories on altView's website.
Strathcona County Library
Sun Mar 21, Sun Apr 18 & Sun May 16, 2:00 - 4:00 pm, Sun Jun 20 1:00 - 4:00 pm

ARTS & CRAFTS

Craft Circle
Registered
(Teens welcome)
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
Every Mon, Jan-Mar, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Craft Café for Gen Z and Millennials
Drop-in
(For ages 18 - 45)
Make your cottagecore dreams come true. Bring your own project to knit, crochet, stitch or sew with your friends. An experienced crafter will be there to help beginners.
Strathcona County Library
1st Thu, Jan-Mar, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Baby Blocks Paint Night
Registered
A special outing just for new and expecting parents and caregivers! Grab a paintbrush and enjoy a relaxing evening of artsy fun as you design personalized alphabet blocks for the little one in your life while meeting other new parents and caregivers in the community.
Strathcona County Library
Fri Jan 8, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Art Lovers Book Club
Register through Strathcona County Recreation Online reconline.strathcona.ca, $5 per person
Enjoy a fun afternoon talking about books and making art. You'll spend the first hour discussing a novel with library staff, then head to the Gallery@501 Art Studio to create your own artwork, inspired by what you've read. *All supplies included and no experience required.*
***The Woman in the Library* by Sulari Gentill**
Course ID 47938
Sun Feb 7, 2:00 - 5:00 pm
***We'll Prescribe You a Cat* by Syou Ishida**
Course ID 47939
Sun Mar 7, 2:00 - 5:00 pm

Beginner's Knitting
Registered
(For ages 18 - 45)
You're never too young to embrace your inner grandma and knit with your friends. An experienced knitter will be there to teach you. *All supplies included. Beginners only, please.*
Strathcona County Library
Tue Feb 9 & Tue Feb 16, 6:30 - 8:30 pm



Learn @ Your Library

Adventures in Jazz
Registered
Strathcona County Library

Join Dr. Michael Roeder, professor emeritus of the University of Alberta, for a three-part introduction to the fascinating history of jazz. With recorded musical examples from some of jazz's recognized masters at the heart of each session, we will explore jazz from its birth and early heyday in 1920s New Orleans through its mid-century evolutions.

The Sound of Jazz
Get acquainted with the core of jazz, exploring its common forms, approaches to improvisation and personal expression, and the mysterious quality of "swing".
Sun Feb 21, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Early Jazz: New Orleans and Swing
Follow jazz from the vibrant small combos of 1920s New Orleans, where pioneers like Louis Armstrong helped shape its early sound, to the exhilarating big bands of the 1930s Swing era, led by such figures as Duke Ellington and Count Basie.
Sun Feb 28, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Jazz Revolutions: Bop, Cool, and Hard Bop
Explore jazz's restless spirit of reinvention, as we chart its evolution through the frenetic bop style of the 1940s, introduced by Charlie Parker and Dizzy Gillespie, to the cool elegance of Miles Davis and contemporaries in the early 1950s, and the soulful response of hard bop in the later part of the decade.
Sun Mar 7, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

HISTORY & GENEALOGY

Family Tree Trackers

Discovering Industrial Ancestors
Registered
Genealogist Kathryn Lake Hogan will help us uncover stories from mills, mines, railways, factories, and company towns. Discover your Canadian industrial ancestors through labour archives, union records, accident claims, and much more.
Online
Thu Jan 14, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Opening Research Avenues
Registered
Every researcher eventually runs into a place, a time period, an occupation or a topic that is unfamiliar. Move your research beyond genealogical databases and explore new resources such as Cindi's List, HathiTrust and more with Andrea Lister, historian and genealogy researcher.
Online
Thu Feb 11, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Canadian Census Before Confederation 1841-1861
Registered
Join Andrea Lister, historian and genealogy researcher, to explore techniques to help you find your ancestors in the censuses of Lower Canada, Canada West, and the Province of Canada before Confederation in 1867.
Online
Thu Mar 11, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Find Your Roots: An Introduction to Genealogy
Registered
A beginner-friendly, two-part workshop to help you discover your family history. Learn how to build a family tree, find key records, use online resources, and plan your next research steps. Prep work and homework will help you make real progress—and maybe uncover a few surprises!
Strathcona County Library
Wed Mar 3 & Wed Mar 17, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm



Genealogy Tutor
Researching your family tree? Book an hour of one-on-one help with a genealogy expert! You'll get guidance about the principles of genealogy, techniques for research and learn about the resources available to you.
sclibrary.ca/faqs/genealogy-research

COOKING & FOOD

Superb Sweets: A Desserts Roundtable
Registered
Got a secret recipe to satisfy any sweet tooth? We want to hear them all, from your family favourites to no-fail bake swap treats. Avid baker Julie Vandenberg will share how she makes everyone welcome at her table with incredible gluten and dairy-free desserts.
Strathcona County Library
Wed Feb 17, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Spring & Easter Round Table: Recipes and Food Traditions
Registered
Gather around the table and share the flavours, stories, and traditions that make spring and Easter special. Bring a favourite recipe, memory, or family tradition to share as we connect and learn from one another.
Strathcona County Library
Tue Mar 9, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS

Seniors are welcome at adult or family programs, but these have been designed specifically with seniors in mind.







Brain Game Social
Registered
(For seniors)
Enjoy some brain games and classic board games to help keep your grey matter sharp. Bring some friends or meet some new ones!
Strathcona County Library
2nd Fri, Jan-Mar, 1:00 - 3:00 pm

South Cooking Lake Seniors Tech Series
Registered
(For seniors)
Join us to learn more about the technology in your life at these relaxed, easy-to-understand sessions. Please register for each class you wish to attend. *In partnership with WE Seniors Strathcona.*
South Cooking Lake Seniors' Centre
Wednesdays, Feb 3 - 24, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Better U
Registered
(For seniors)
Strathcona County Library
Join us every month to discuss, learn, and make new connections. Better knowledge means Better U!

Waste Management Wrap-Up
Strathcona County Utilities Outreach staff member Tamara von Kuster will teach you where different waste items belong and why, what happens after discarded items are picked up, and about the recent provincial recycling changes. After that we'll make beeswax wrap to help reduce waste at home!
Fri Jan 15, 10:00 - 11:30 am

Health and Well-Being with Family and Community Services
Family and Community Services (FCS) introduces the Health and Well-Being Resource within the Planning for Older Age and Retirement pamphlet series. In this workshop, FCS staff will guide you through self-reflection on physical, mental, emotional and social well-being, plan changes for health and identify trusted community services and supports as you age.
Fri Feb 19, 10:00 - 11:30 am

Aromatherapy and Meditative Journaling
In this thoughtful creative journaling session, Ting Pimentel-Elger will guide the group to relax into meditation through aromatherapy and sound bath. Go at your own pace through journal prompts and finish with some mindful movement from your chair. *Bring your own journal, if you have one. Aromatherapy scents will be used throughout the program.*
Fri Mar 19, 10:00 - 11:30 am

HOME & GARDEN

Houseplant Care Myths Debunked
Registered
(Teens welcome)
Explore common houseplant care myths and old gardening tales! Find out what really helps your plants thrive, learn better care techniques, and gain practical tips to confidently nurture healthier, happier houseplants.
Online
Tue Jan 19, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Build Your Own Air Purifier Workshop and Talk
Registered
Discover how the air you breathe affects your health and learn simple ways to manage indoor air quality, especially during wildfire season. Participants will build their own air purifiers to reduce smoke and other particles in their homes and be entered to win an air quality monitor! *Presented by Alberta Lung Association. All supplies are included with registration. To cover the cost of supplies, please contribute $20 if you are able.*
Strathcona County Library
Thu Mar 18, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Growing 1900s Heirloom Flowers & Plants in Your Garden
Registered
Unearth heirloom plants and flowers rooted in Strathcona County's historic gardens. Explore the benefits of prairie gardening traditions from around 1900 and learn from Master Gardener Merril Lasby which heritage plants can still be found, grown, and enjoyed today.
Strathcona County Library
Tue Mar 23, 7:00 - 8:30 pm



Everything Gardening Event, Saturday Feb 27
Drop-in | Strathcona County Library
Get ready for gardening season with a gardening exchange and a variety of sessions to inspire and inform your planting.

Everything Gardening Seed Exchange
Join us to exchange seeds, gardening tools and advice. Enjoy some time chatting with fellow gardeners and share your plans for the coming growing season.
Drop-in any time during the program.
10:00 am - 1:30 pm

Successional Planting
Learn from Dora Berry, Instructor of Landscape Architectural Technology, how to extend your growing season by discovering which garden plants and flowers can be seeded from early spring through late summer.
9:30 - 10:30 am

Wonderful Rain Garden
Learn from landscape designer Adele Duguay how to design a beautiful rain garden that will help regenerate your property's ecosystem.
11:00 am - 12:00 pm



Attract Beneficial Insects
Master Gardener Mark Stumpf-Allen will share secrets on how to attract beneficial insects to your garden using plants, habitats, and natural gardening practices that support pollinators and help control garden pests.
12:30 - 1:30 pm

Big Vegetable Crop with No-Till
Dominique and Art Wegner from Sherwood Park will share how they transformed a traditional vegetable garden into a raised-bed, mulched, no-till garden. Learn what they grow and transplant, how they manage their crops and their favourite seed sources.
2:00 - 2:45 pm

Starting with Seeds
Get growing with this presentation by avid organic gardener Suzanne Cook, who will teach you what vegetables or herbs to start from seed, when to plant, and how to nurture healthy, thriving transplants.
3:30 - 4:30 pm

MOVIES & MUSIC

Monday Movie Matinee
Drop-in
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
Last Mon, Jan-Mar, 2:00 - 4:30 pm

International Women's Day Movie Night: *Sisters of Ukraine*
Drop-in
In recognition of International Women's Day, join us for a screening of *Sisters of Ukraine*, a 2023 documentary that celebrates the quiet courage of a group of nuns in Western Ukraine, who go on a courageous journey to bring three dozen refugees of war to safety in Spain.
Strathcona County Library
Fri Mar 12, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

TRAVEL & CULTURE

Travel Club
Registered
Join fellow travellers for a fun afternoon program sharing travel tips and favourite destinations.
Strathcona County Library
1st Fri, Jan-Mar, 3:00 - 4:30 pm
January program Mon Jan 4

Travel Normandy
Registered
Join Francophile Emily Simon on a journey through Normandy to discover the region's rich mixture of Medieval and modern history, natural bounty, and culinary delights, with insider travel tips, hidden French gems, and top destinations!
Strathcona County Library
Tue Mar 16, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

SCIENCE & NATURE

Snakes of Alberta
Registered
(Teens welcome)
Did you know Alberta has seven species of snakes? Learn where they live, their important roles in our ecosystems, the challenges they face, and why these fascinating animals are worth protecting.
Strathcona County Library
Sun Mar 14, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

NEWCOMERS

English Conversation Circle
Drop-in
Practice your English speaking and listening skills with a friendly volunteer.
Strathcona County Library
Every Mon | Every Month | 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Every Wed | Every Month | 9:30 - 10:30 am

Drop-in English
Drop-in
Improve your English. All levels welcome. *No registration needed, $10 if you can pay.*
Strathcona County Library
Every Wed | Every Month | 6:00 - 8:00 pm

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

CALLS Community Adult Learning & Literacy Society
Fort Saskatchewan & Strathcona County

EISA Edmonton Immigrant Services Association
Welcome • Integrate • Network

Are you new to Canada?
The Library Settlement Practitioner 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

Ask at the Information Desk.

*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.*

COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

Tech Basics

Apple iPhones and iPads
Registered
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 iPhone or iPad.*
Strathcona County Library
Thu Jan 7 & Thu Jan 14, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Tue Mar 2 & Tue Mar 9, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Windows 11
Registered
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
Wed Jan 20 & Wed Jan 27, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Thu Mar 4 & Thu Mar 11, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Android
Registered
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
Tue Feb 2 & Tue Feb 9, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Wed Feb 17 & Wed Feb 24, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Beyond Basics

Google Docs and Drive
Registered
Get comfortable with Google Drive and Google Docs. We will practice creating and formatting documents, saving files to your Google Drive, and making an organization system that works for you. *Please bring a device that is logged in to your Google account.*
Strathcona County Library
Tue Jan 19, 2:00 - 3:30 pm
Thu Mar 4, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Your Digital Wallet
Registered
Thin down your wallet by storing things on your phone. Loyalty cards, boarding passes, debit cards and even your library card can all be managed in digital wallet apps. We'll discuss the technology behind these apps and ways to make the most of them safely. *(No digital money will be exchanged).*
Strathcona County Library
Thu Feb 11, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Apple Photo Organization
Registered
Apple devices come with plenty of tools for taking and sharing pictures. Learn about organizing, backing up and sharing photos on (and off) your iPhone or iPad.
Strathcona County Library
Fri Feb 19, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Online Privacy Tools
Registered
As more of life moves online, it's important to know how to protect your confidential information. Join our online exploration of tools and techniques you can use to keep your private information private.
Online
Thu Feb 25, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Password Management Tools
Registered
Frustrated by trying to create and remember secure passwords? Learn how using a password manager app lets you have one key to unlock all your online accounts safely.
Strathcona County Library
Sun Mar 14, 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Tech Talks

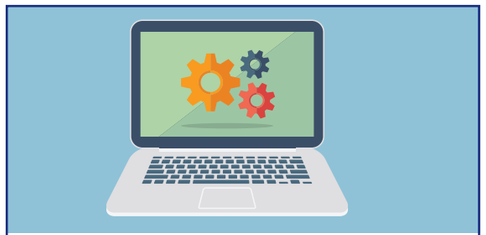
Tech News Discussion Group
Registered
Stay up to date in the changing world of technology. Join our staff for a lively and informative conversation about the latest news from the tech world and how it impacts everyone. Bring your questions and ideas!
Strathcona County Library
2nd Tue, Jan-Mar, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Preparing for Your Digital Afterlife
Registered
We all have an online footprint that can persist after we die. How will our loved ones deal with all our profiles, accounts, passwords and data after we've passed? The best approach is to have a plan, so join us for a lively discussion about some of the tools and techniques we can use to transition thoughtfully into our digital afterlives.
Strathcona County Library
Sun Jan 17, 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Using AI for Work and Play
Registered
Join us for a discussion and demonstration of the best ways to use AI tools like ChatGPT and art generators for tasks they're good at helping with - like reformatting text, making pictures, brainstorming and more.
Strathcona County Library
Thu Mar 11, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Tech Help

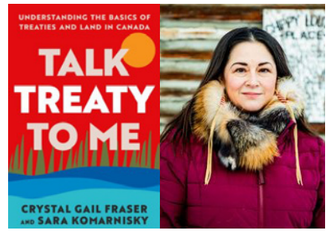
Tech Troubleshooting
Drop-in
Having trouble with your digital devices? Drop in for some assistance on the first Saturday afternoon of each month. We can help solve lots of problems, and if we can't, we'll help you find out where to go next. *Bring the tablet, phone, laptop or other device that's giving you troubles and drop in any time between 1 and 3 pm.*
Strathcona County Library
1st Sat, Jan-Mar, 1:00 - 3:00 pm



Digital device giving you trouble?
Try a one-on-one appointment with a **Tech Helper** to provide you with personalized troubleshooting advice.

TO BOOK
- 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

INDIGENOUS



Talk Treaty to Me
Registered
What do treaties actually say, and what does that mean for the present day? Drawing from her book *Talk Treaty to Me*, historian Crystal Gail Fraser will explore the history, meaning, and ongoing relevance of treaties, particularly Treaty 6 and the responsibilities treaty relationships create. The session invites participants to move beyond the phrase "we are all treaty people" toward a deeper understanding of what living in treaty means in practice.
Strathcona County Library
Wed Mar 31, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

GAMES & RECREATION

Chess Meetup
Drop-in
(For 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
Every Wed, Jan-Mar, 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Dungeons & Dragons
Registered
(Teens welcome)
Grab your dice and get ready to play the classic role-playing game, whether you're an experienced adventurer or new to the game. Each session will offer a stand-alone adventure.
Strathcona County Library
4th Sat, Jan & Mar, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Unfold Stillness
Registered
Slow down and settle into a contemplative experience with Yoga and origami educator Tara Woltjen. Fold an origami lotus, then move into gentle breathing and chanting practices designed to invite stillness, presence and connection. *Bring a yoga mat or use chairs provided for the chanting.*
Strathcona County Library
Sat Jan 16, 2:00 - 3:30 pm

The Movement Space: An Introductory Somatic Workshop
Registered
(For ages 14+)
Enjoy an introductory somatic workshop with somatic movement educator Andrea Yacyshyn to slow down, tune into the body, reduce stress, and build connection through simple, accessible movement. Somatic work is almost exclusively taught from the floor. *Bring a yoga mat or towel to lay on.*
Strathcona County Library
Thu Feb 4, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Infant CPR
Registered
Learning how to respond in an emergency could save your child's life. This free class 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.*
Strathcona County Library
Wed Mar 3, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

JOBS, MONEY & LAW

Get Started with ALIS Job Hunting
Registered
(Teens welcome)
The Alberta Careers, Learning and Employment Information (ALIS) website is a powerful resource for job hunters. Library staff will guide you through the site, with tips to help you make the most of ALIS's work search tools.
Strathcona County Library
Wed Jan 6, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Changes to AISH
Registered
With many changes occurring to AISH over the last few years, it can be confusing to keep up. Discuss the changes to AISH, the transition to the Alberta Disability Assistance Program (ADAP), what the new rules are, and how you may apply to stay on AISH. *Presented by Norwood Centre.*
Online
Wed Jan 20, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Lowering Your Bills
Registered
From electricity to heating, internet, and phone, learn how you can save money on your bills. *Presented by Norwood Centre.*
Online
Wed Feb 3, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Strategies for Job Search Success
Registered
Boost your job search with expert tips on resumes, cover letters, and interviews! Get answers to your questions and gain confidence as you prepare for your next career move. Led by Career and Leadership facilitator Rene Pierno.
Strathcona County Library
Sat Feb 6, 12:30 - 3:30 pm

Grocery Saving Tips
Registered
(Teens welcome)
How can you keep up with the high prices of groceries and other needs? Join us to talk about ways to make your food dollars stretch. *Presented by Norwood Centre.*
Strathcona County Library
Tue Mar 2, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Career Planning in an Uncertain Labour Market
Registered
Navigate an unpredictable labour market with confidence. Learn actionable career management skills, discover overlooked resources, and build a resilience toolkit to help you thrive in an uncertain job market. *Presented by MCG Careers Inc.*
Strathcona County Library
Wed Mar 10, 1:30 - 3:00 pm

RESUME TUTOR

Resume & Cover Letter Writing
Registered
(Teens welcome)
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
Sat Jan 30, 10:00 am - 12:30 pm
Sat Feb 27, 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Applying for Work Online
Registered
(Teens welcome)
If you're searching for work, it's 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
Sat Mar 20, 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Resume Tutor 1-on-1
Looking for personalized resume advice? Book a free one-hour appointment with a Resume Tutor for help with wording, format and focus.
sclibrary.ca/resume-tutor

CALLS



LinkedIn Learning

Learning how to shoot good photos is a solid skill that can pay dividends in your work life, as a side hustle or even just making your vacation pics look that much better. LinkedIn Learning has a whole series of bite-sized videos that will get you on your way to shooting like a pro. And if photography's not for you, you'll find dozens of other how-to lessons for leisure pursuits like drawing, painting and even playing guitar!

Find your inspiration at **sclibrary.ca/linkedin**

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Brainfuse JobNow
Chat with an online career coach, access resources, or submit your resume and cover letter for feedback!

Get help with:
- Writing resumes
- Preparing for job interviews
- Exploring new career interests

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45 Years of Bookmobile Service!

We will be celebrating with 45th anniversary goodie bags for everyone visiting the Bookmobile during the week of Jan 11 - 15.





The first bookmobile was a converted school bus, retrofitted by county carpenters. The weather for the first day of Bookmobile service was a cool -30 when Helen Lavendar pulled into Brookville Hall on January 15, 1982!

The second Bookmobile was built in Coaldale Alberta on a Blue Bird chassis. Purchased secondhand from Fort McMurray in 1993, it served us well for 17 years. The headroom was much better, but access was a very difficult 5 steps up.









The third Bookmobile is a Nova Bus low-floor transit bus (Canadian), retrofitted locally by System One Manufacturing, and designed by Bookmobile staff. It hit the road in 2010, winning a 2012 Minister's Award for Innovation in a Larger Library for its' accessibility and versatility. With the new Bookmobile we expanded our service to include playschools, daycares and seniors' residences.

It just keeps getting better!

BOOKMOBILE 45TH ANNIVERSARY

Strathcona County LIBRARY

Winter roads and weather can be challenging!

We bring the library-on-wheels to you throughout those cold winter months! It doesn't happen often, but some days the weather may stop us reaching your area.

Updates about Bookmobile service are posted on **sclibrary.ca**

You can call us at 780-410-8615. Let us help you find library resources to get you through those long dark nights!

WINTER SPECIAL VISITS - Starting February 1 (no special visits in January)

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

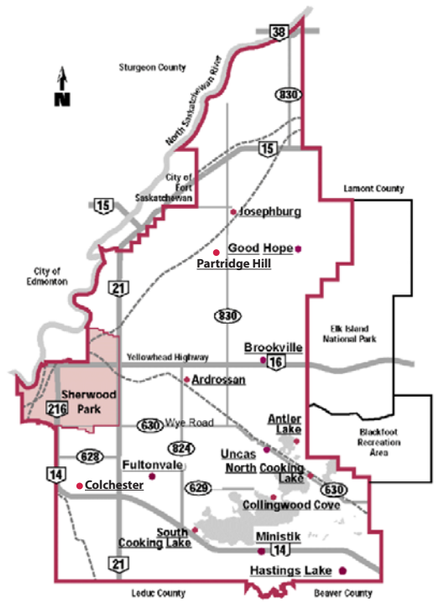
Thursdays
South Cooking Lake Community Hall
9:30 - 11:30 am

Fridays
Fultonvale/Strathcona Olympiette Centre
11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Deville/North Cooking Lake Community Hall
12:30 - 2:00 pm

Bookmobile holiday closure: Sat Dec 19 - Sun Jan 3
Bookmobile service resumes: Mon Jan 4, 2027

Bookmobile Schedule

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





LIBRARY HOURS

Mon - Thu	**9:30 am - 9:00 pm**
Fri	**9:30 am - 8:00 pm**
Sat	**9:30 am - 5:00 pm**
Sun	**11:00 am - 5:00 pm**
CLOSED DAYS	
Christmas	Thu Dec 24 - Sun Dec 27
New Years Eve	Thu Dec 31 - closed at 5pm
New Years Day	Fri Jan 1
Family Day	Mon Feb 15

50TH ANNIVERSARY
Strathcona County
LIBRARY

RETURN BINS

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

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