Downtown Branch - 60 Worsley St., Barrie

Saturday, October 15
9:30 - 4:00 PM

BRPL Comic Con

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BPL Comic Con
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15
9:30 AM – 4:00 PM
Downtown

Calling all comic book fans! Join us for our first ever BPL Comic Con, a full-day event celebrating all things comic. Featuring local vendors, Artist Alley, Jr Cosplay and Cosplay contests, author signings, fan meetups, workshops, cake contest, face painting, games and more! Come dressed in costume and enjoy this day of fun for all ages. Free.

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How To In 10
SAT., NOV. 19, 1:30 – 3:30 PM
Downtown

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Painswick

Want to learn something new – in 10 minutes? Come check out the How To In 10 event @your library™. This free all-ages afternoon festival offers 10-minute mini-sessions where you can learn a new skill in 10 minutes. Local groups and volunteers are teaching skills at both the Downtown and Painswick locations of the Barrie Public Library. Some things you can learn this year include basic knitting/crocheting skills, how to take an amazing selfie with a smartphone, and how to use an epi pen. Try something new @your library™!

For more information, please visit our website library.barrie.ca or call 705-728-1010.
BPL Hosts Youth from CommunityWorks Canada®

The Barrie Public Library recently hosted CommunityWorks Canada® (CWC) to give youth on-the-job experience and a behind the scenes look into how the library works. CWC provides opportunities for youth age 15-21 diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) to work with peer mentors and a wide range of community partners. The program gives them a chance to learn about local organizations, gain work experience and develop new skills.

The first visit was organized in April and activities were prepared for the volunteers to complete. Their main task was to place labels on envelopes, and matching the names, place the corresponding certificate inside. They worked together on other tasks such as sorting donated books and entering reward codes into a website. It gave the volunteers a chance to take on leadership roles, practice asking a co-worker for help, giving feedback and providing assistance to others. They practiced social skills like having a conversation while completing a task, and job skills like paying attention to detail while entering data.

“We had the best post-project feedback we’ve ever had from volunteers,” said Stephanie Bass, Program Coordinator of the CommunityWorks Canada® program at Kerry’s Place Autism Services. “Having a community partner as prominent as the library helps to promote awareness, understanding and acceptance of people with ASD.”

After the great feedback from the first visit, a second visit was set up in May. As there were some new faces, the youth toured the facility, received orientation on the 3 tasks and split into groups. Everyone had the chance to try everything, which included scanning donated books, stamping DVDs and audiobooks withdrawn from our collection, and entering reward codes online.

“This is a perfect example of the role the library plays in the community,” said Emily Fleming, Coordinator of Volunteer Resources at the Barrie Public Library. “We’re so much more than just a building full of books. We love working with different groups in our community and helping people reach their potential, whatever that may be.”

About CommunityWorks Canada®

This innovative program incorporates a 1:1 peer mentor support model that provides an opportunity for teens with ASD to practice and enhance social skills in a community environment. Participants develop key competencies necessary for workplace readiness and employment success that include job specific tasks and social relationship skills.

It also serves as an opportunity for the participants to foster lasting friendships.
drop-in storytimes

Drop-in Family Storytimes
MONDAYS, STARTING SEPTEMBER 19
10:30 – 11:00 AM
FRIDAYS, STARTING SEPTEMBER 16
10:00 – 10:30 AM — NEW TIME!
SATURDAYS, STARTING SEPTEMBER 17,
10:30 – 11:00 AM
Downtown Angus Ross Room

TUESDAYS, STARTING SEPTEMBER 20
9:30 – 10:00 AM OR 10:30 – 11:00 AM
THURSDAYS, STARTING SEPTEMBER 22
10:00 – 10:30 AM
Painswick Massie Family Program Room

Join us for a fun, interactive storytime. We use stories, songs and other pre-literacy activities that will help your child get ready to read. Note that during the week of November 28, these special storytimes for 3 and 4 year old children will be lowered the demand for special storytimes for 3 and 4 year old children. The implementation of Full Day Kindergarten has considerably lowered the demand for special storytimes for 3 and 4 year olds. Therefore we welcome these ages, as well as parents with multiple ages of children, to our various Drop-in Storytimes as listed in this newsletter and on our website. Baby Goose is offered as a Drop in program (see separate article).

Drop in Baby Goose
WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 28 – NOVEMBER 10, 10:00 – 10:45 AM
Downtown Angus Ross Room

Parents or caregivers are invited to join us for an interactive program of stories, rhymes, songs and other early literacy activities that you can continue to enjoy at home! Get your baby off to a great start on the road to reading. Space may be limited and vary from week to week. Drop in. Free.

Carnegie Days: Road Trip - Stories of Canadian Adventures
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 10:30 – 11:15 AM
Downtown Angus Ross Room

Join library staff as they participate in the MacLaren Art Centre’s celebration of Carnegie Days! Listen to tales of discovery and adventure We’ll travel through Canada with the characters of Canadian picture book authors Per-Henrik Gürth and Andrea Beck. At this library program, children will enjoy stories, songs and rhymes and then have fun making a related craft.

Library on the Loose - Holly
THURSDAYS, SEPTEMBER 22 – NOVEMBER 24,
9:30 – 10:00 AM OR 10:30 – 11:00 AM
Holly Community Centre

The Library staff are on the loose! Join us for an interactive half hour storytime at the Holly Community Centre. We use stories, songs and other pre-literacy activities that will help your child get ready to read. Free. No registration required. Recommended for children ages 5 years and under accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

Library on the Loose – Oro-Medonte
TUESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 20 – NOVEMBER 22,
10:00 – 10:30 AM
Old Town Hall

The Library staff are on the loose in Oro-Medonte! Join us for a half-hour storytime in Oro-Medonte in the Old Town Hall, 833 Line 7 N. We use stories, songs and other pre-literacy activities that will help your child get ready to read. Recommended for children ages 5 years and under accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Please note that this storytime program is part of the Oro-Medonte Community Recreation Department and registration is required. For registration information, please visit www.oromedonte.ca or call 705-487-2171. Free.

Registered Toddler and Tales for Twos Storytimes
All of the registered storytimes are designed to be one-on-one programs with an adult that will help get your child ready for learning to read. These storytime groups run during the weeks of September 26 - November 7 at Downtown only. For other storytime options, please see the information about Drop-in Storytimes and Library on the Loose Storytimes.

Online registration begins on Monday, September 12 at 10:00 am. A link to the registration form will be posted on the What’s Happening page in the Parents and Teachers section of our website. Have your library card on hand. Registrations will be accepted without a library card but preference will be given to library card holders. Completion of the registration form does not guarantee a spot in the program. Successful registration applicants will be contacted by library staff starting September 19. For information or if you do not have online access, please call 705-728-1010 ext. 7019 or email barlib@barrie.ca.

Toddler Time
WEDNESDAYS OR THURSDAYS, 10:00 – 10:30 AM
Downtown Lions Oro Program Room

Parents or caregivers are invited to enjoy 30 minutes of interactive stories, songs, rhymes and other pre-literacy activities with their one year old child who is walking. Limit of 12 children.

Tales for Twos
TUESDAYS, 10:00 – 10:30 AM
Downtown Lions Oro Program Room

Parents or caregivers are invited to enjoy 30 minutes of interactive stories, songs, rhymes and other pre-literacy activities with their two year old child. Limit of 12 children.

L’apprentissage par le jeu
JOURNÉE : LES VENDREDIS MATINS
DATES : LE 30 SEPTEMBRE AU 18 NOVEMBRE,
10 H À 11 H 30
Painswick Salle de programmation Massie Family

La Bibliothèque publique de Barrie est heureuse de collaborer avec le Centre de la petite enfance de l’Ontario (CPEO) pour offrir des programmes en
français. Le programme d’apprentissage par le jeu offre aux enfants et aux familles un lieu de rencontre où l’on peut apprendre et grandir ensemble. Venez explorer avec la peinture, la pâte à modeler, les bricolages et plusieurs activités axés sur le jeu, tout en appuyant le développement de votre enfant. Le programme offre aussi une occasion de rencontrer d’autres parents et soignants afin d’obtenir un soutien social. GRATUIT! Inscription et information: Téléphonez au CPEO au (705) 526-2456 poste 29, pour vous inscrire et laissez votre nom, votre numéro de téléphone, le nom et l’âge des enfants qui participeront.

L’apprentissage par le jeu
FRIDAYS, SEPTEMBER 30 – NOVEMBER 18, 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM
Painswick Massie Family Program Room

The Barrie Public Library is pleased to be working with the Ontario Early Years Centre to offer this French-language program. L’apprentissage par le jeu is a program that offers a meeting place for children and families to learn and grow together. Come and have fun exploring with paint, playdough, crafts and activities which help foster your child’s development. This is a great way to meet and connect with other parents and caregivers. Free. Registration and information: Call The Early Years Centre at 705-526-2456 ext. 29 to register, leaving your name, and your child(ren)’s name(s) and age(s).

Circle of Readers
SESSION ONE: WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 21 – OCTOBER 19, 6:30 – 7:30 PM
SESSION TWO: WEDNESDAYS, NOVEMBER 2 – NOVEMBER 30, 6:30 – 7:30 PM
Downtown Angus Ross Room

The Barrie Public Library is very pleased to partner with St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog volunteers to offer “Paws 4 Stories.” This St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog Community Service was introduced as an effort to improve the reading skills of children by having a child read to a Therapy Dog. The idea of a child reading to a dog has been around for many years. There is evidence that children quickly improve their reading skills and comprehension as they read to the dog. Library staff, therapy dog volunteers and the children themselves will work together to practice reading with their 7-9 year old child the challenge of reading in the safe, non-judgmental companionship of a dog. The therapy dog volunteers are not teachers and do not teach reading but will do their best to support the children as they read to the dog. Library staff, therapy dog volunteers and the children themselves will work together to find reading material for the child. Because the dogs may change from week to week, children will be paired up with whichever dog is available when they arrive. To register for your one or two half-hour reading sessions, visit any Public Service desk or call 705-728-1010 ext. 7019 starting Monday, September 19 at 10:00 am. Online registration is not available for this program.

LEGO After School Fun
TUESDAYS, OCTOBER 4 – NOVEMBER 29, 4:30 – 5:30 PM - NEW DAY!
Downtown Children’s Floor

Library staff host drop-in building sessions for LEGO lovers to meet, share ideas and have some fun together. LEGO will be supplied by the library (donations of LEGO from the public are welcome). Parents are reminded that they must remain in the library building if their child is under 10 years of age. No registration required. Children ages 6 years and up are welcome. Space may be limited to the first thirty children.

LEGO Robotics for Parents and Kids!
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2:00 – 4:00 PM
Painswick

This is a chance for a parent or special caregiver to experience with their 7-9 year old child the challenge of building a LEGO robot and making it go! This program will be designed for pairs of one adult and one child but if a parent has two children of that age group, they may sign up to work as one group. Online registration begins Monday, October 24 at 10:00 am. A link to the registration form for this program will be posted on the What’s Happening page of the Parents & Teachers section of our website. Limit of 18 pairs of parent and child, and the age limit for children is firm. Successful registration applicants will be contacted by library staff starting October 27. For information call 705-728-1010 ext. 7019 or email barlib@barrie.ca.

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Do you love to read and talk about books with friends? We have book clubs at the library for 9 – 12 year olds who are avid readers. You must enjoy reading and be a good reader in order to join this club. Both the Downtown and Painswick clubs run from October until May and will be led by a Children’s Services staff member. These clubs are limited to twelve children at each location.

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Friday Flicks
FRIDAYS, 7:00 – 9:00 PM
Painswick Massie Family Program Room

Bring some popcorn and join us at Painswick for some Friday evening feature films. We’ll be screening movies for the whole family, so you can spend some quality time decompressing from your week. Free. No registration required.

Sept. 2  Flicka (Rated G, 2010, 93 mins)
Sept. 9  Ice Age (Rated PG, 2002, 81 mins)
Sept. 16 A LEGO Brickumentary (Rated G, 2014, 93 mins)
Sept. 23 Horton Hears a Who (Rated G, 2008, 86 mins)
Sept. 30 Mr Popper’s Penguins (Rated G, 2011, 95 mins)
Oct. 7  Charlotte's Web (Rated G, 2006, 96 mins)
Oct. 14 TBA. We’ll be showing a film featuring superhero or comic characters in celebration of our BPL Comic Con event on Oct. 15
Oct. 21 Dr. Doolittle (Rated PG 13, 1998, 85 mins)

Storytime with the Barrie Colts
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 10:00 – 11:00 AM
Painswick Colts Powerwall/Living Room Area

The 2016-2017 regular season has begun! Come and join a few of your favourite players from the Barrie Colts for an exciting story time at your Barrie Public Library! Before the 10:30 storytime, players will be around for meet and greet. Remember to dress in your favorite hockey apparel and bring your camera to have your photo taken! All ages welcome. Space is limited.

Science Literacy Week
SEPTEMBER 19 – 25

Be sure to join us as we highlight this week by featuring science in our Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday Drop-in Storytimes. We also invite you to have some fun at our Maker Mondays (see separate article).

Chess Titans Chess Club
SUNDAYS, SEPTEMBER 25 – DECEMBER 4
2:00 – 4:00 PM
Downtown Angus Ross Room

“Every Chess master was once a beginner” (Chernev). Have you ever wanted to learn chess? Children and teens ages 8-16 years old are invited to join local student Jake at the Downtown library on Sundays from 2:00 – 4:00 pm for a fun filled afternoon of chess and learning. At “Chess Titans,” participants will learn the basic concepts of chess such as information on the chess pieces, how to get to checkmate, how to play a fun or competitive game and how to solve chess puzzles. Chess Titans is also for children and teens who already know how to play chess and want to expand their knowledge of this extraordinary game. No registration but each week a sign-in sheet will be limited to the first 30 children and teens ages 8 – 16 years each week.

History Comes Alive!
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2:30 – 4:00 PM
Downtown Main Floor

The Simcoe County Museum is coming to the library! Join us for a Saturday afternoon of hands-on discovery and stories. This program is called “Spin, Spun, Done”! Step back in time to the 1830s and learn the ways the pioneers did some daily tasks. Spinning your own yarn with a drop spindle or spinning wheel in the past was as common as cooking dinner. Watch a spinning demonstration and use a drop spindle to try spinning yourself. Free. No registration required. Recommended for ages 6 years and up. Note: a special session will be held at the Downtown Library for homeschoolers. See separate article: “History for Homeschoolers”.

PA Day Crafts
SEPTEMBER 30, OCTOBER 19, OCTOBER 21, OCTOBER 27, OCTOBER 28, NOVEMBER 18, LIBRARY HOURS
Downtown and Painswick Children’s Areas

Drop in for some simple craft activities to while away your PA Day!

Thanksgiving Weekend Crafts
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 DURING LIBRARY HOURS
Downtown and Painswick

Drop in during library hours to the children's floor Downtown and the children's area at Painswick to create something special for Thanksgiving! All ages of children are welcome. No registration required.

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investigations. You may even hear a true ghost story or two. Parents are cautioned that the ghost hunter talk is not suitable for young children and there will be children's activities elsewhere in the library during this talk.

Participants are welcome to wear their Halloween costumes just for fun! No registration required for this family friendly event. Free. Parents or caregivers must accompany any children 9 years and younger to the event.

Frankenstein's Lab
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2:30 – 4:00 PM
Painswick Massie Family Program Room
Children are invited to channel their inner Dr. Frankenstein at the library! Create your own action figure using assorted toy parts and other materials. Recommended for ages 6 and up. Free. No registration required.

Battle of the Books 2016 – 2017
Calling all interested schools and homeschoolers! If you would like to put together a Battle of the Books team of up to 12 grade 4-8 students to take part in our 23rd annual Battle of the Books, please contact Jane Salmon at jane.salmon@barrie.ca or 705-728-1010 ext. 7017 for information and details. The booklist and basic rules are on the Battle of the Books page in the Parents & Teachers section of our website. This event takes place in the last week of April.

Ukuladies!
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2:00 – 2:45 PM
Downtown Main Floor
Ukuleles Unite! Join us for a special presentation featuring the fabulous Ukuladies and Friends. At the end of the show, they will play some easy songs and invite you to join along, so bring your tuned uke! (not suitable for baritone ukes). All ages. Drop-In.

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**Pull out and pin on your fridge!**

- **4th September**: Online Registration starts for Circle of Readers and Between Friends - Entre Amis
- **5th September**: Storytime with the Barrie Colts, Oro Storytime, Reg. Tales for Twos
- **6th September**: Simply Map, Stump for Teens, Stamp Club for Teens
- **7th September**: Starting Your Business, Adult Social, Adult Colouring
- **8th September**: Drop-in Storytime, Start Here, Adult Colouring
- **9th September**: Drop-in Storytime, Social Media for Business
- **10th September**: Drop-in Storytime, Book Swap

**Science Literacy Week**

**25th September**: Chess Titans, Drop-in Storytime, Maker Mondays

**26th September**: Drop-in Baby Goose, Reg. Toddler Time, Reg. Circle of Readers

**27th September**: Drop-in Baby Goose, Reg. Toddler Time, Reg. Circle of Readers

**28th September**: Library on the Loose—Holly, Drop-in Storytime, Reg. Toddler Time, Reg. Circle of Readers

**29th September**: PA Day Crafts, Drop-in Storytime

**30th September**: Drop-in Storytime, Around the World

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For the most up-to-date information on library programs, please visit our website library.barrie.ca or call (705) 728-1010.
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TEEN READ WEEK

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### Locations
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- **Downtown**
- **Painswick**
- **Library on the Loose**

For the most up to date information on library programs, please visit our website library.barrrie.ca or call (705) 728-1010.
Teen Read Week: Manga Madness
TUES., OCT. 11 AND THURS., OCT. 13, 3:30 – 4:30 PM
Downtown and Painswick

Are you a fan of Manga comics? Meet other teens to talk about manga, make a craft and have fun as part of our celebration of Teen Read Week! Tell us your favourite Manga or graphic novel, fill out a ballot and you could win a Chapter’s Gift Card. No registration required, so join us and bring a friend! For teens in Grade 7-12. Teen Read Week runs officially from Oct. 9 – 15 and we hope to see you in the library!

Teen Book Chats
FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH, STARTING OCTOBER 5, 7:00 – 8:00 PM
Downtown Teen Area

THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH, STARTING OCTOBER 19, 7:00 – 8:00 pm
Painswick Massie Family Program Room

Do you want to discuss your favourite books and meet other teens? Looking for more great reads? Join us once a month to talk about books, hear what other teens are reading and get a sneak preview of new titles that are coming to the library. Read whatever interests you and come to the Teen Book Chat to talk about it. No registration required, so join us and bring a friend! Refreshments served. Recommended for teens 12-16 years old.

After School Fun for Teens
TUES. AND THURS., STARTING SEPTEMBER 20, 3:30 – 4:30 PM
Downtown Teen Area

Looking for something to do after school? Teens in grades 7-12 are invited to drop in after school to try a variety of fun activities including games, crafts, trivia, and more. Free.

Google Earth
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 3:30 – 4:30 PM
Downtown Georgian Room

Is there a place in the world you’ve always wanted to see? Teens in grades 7-12 are invited to explore some of the world’s most famous landmarks using Google Earth. Embark on an around-the-world scavenger hunt like no other! No registration required. Free.

Teen Coffee House Nights
MON., SEPT. 19, OCT. 31 AND NOV. 21, 6:30 – 8:00 PM
Downtown Teen Area

Do you love to sing, recite poetry, or perform improv? If so, our Drop-in Teen Coffee House Nights are for you! Come to perform or just to lend support and to applaud. Enjoy coffee and other hot refreshments from our Café and a casual coffee house atmosphere. Teens in grades 7 to 12 are welcome to drop by and sign up on the spot for a chance to perform! Please arrive in the Teen Area 15 minutes early so we can sign you up for a performance slot. Refreshments will be provided and family and friends are welcome to watch! For more information, call 705-728-1010 ext. 7019 or email barlib@barrie.ca.

Chess Titans Chess Club
SUN., SEPT. 25 – DEC. 4, 2:00 – 4:00 PM
Downtown Angus Ross Room

“Every Chess master was once a beginner” (Chernev). Have you ever wanted to learn chess? Children and teens ages 8-16 years of age are invited to join local student Jake at the Downtown library on Sundays from 2:00 – 4:00 pm for a fun filled afternoon of chess and learning. At “Chess Titans,” participants will learn the basic concepts of chess such as information on the chess pieces, how to checkmate, how to play a fun or competitive game, and how to solve chess puzzles. Chess Titans is also for children and teens who already know how to play chess and want to expand their knowledge of this extraordinary game. No registration but each week a sign-in sheet will be limited to the first 30 children and teens ages 8 – 16 years each week.

Stamp Club for Teens
FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS EACH MONTH STARTING WED., SEPTEMBER 21, 4:00 – 5:00 PM
Painswick Huronia Oral Surgery Room

Volunteer members of the Barrie District Stamp Club will assist, guide and mentor teen collectors, ages 12 years and up, as they search, sort, collect and mount/exhibit stamps into a personal collection. Teens will learn how to find desirable philatelic material and how to store, care for and exhibit their collections. Free. No registration required.

Maker Mondays
MONDAYS, SEPT.19 - NOV. 28, 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Downtown Main Floor

Maker Mondays feature a new DIY item every week using new or old-school technology. Drop in, mess around and make something cool. Open to everyone ages 8 and up.

LEGO Robotics for Teens
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1:00 – 4:00 PM
Downtown Angus Ross Room

The library is pleased to offer an introduction to LEGO Robotics for teens ages 12-15 years with the support of Invest Barrie. Participants will learn to design and build autonomous LEGO robots that perform a series of missions. Teens will work together and develop skills such as critical thinking, collaboration and communication as well as learn to apply real-world math and science concepts. Online registration begins Monday, October 24 at 10:00 am A link to the registration form will be posted on the What’s Happening page of the Parents & Teachers section of our website. Limit of 18 teens and age limit is firm. Successful registration applicants will be contacted by library staff starting October 27. For information call 705-728-1010 ext. 7019 or email barlib@barrie.ca.

Forensics for Teens
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 6:30 – 8:30 PM
Downtown Angus Ross Room

Teens! Come and experience an opportunity to collect and analyze various kinds of evidence generally found at crime scenes. Receive an overview of Forensic Science through a PowerPoint and demonstrations. Teens will then interact in the actual solving of a crime with real evidence. This program will be led by Police Officer Jeffrey Evans, who was a Forensic Detective for 8 years with York Regional Police. Free. No registration required. Recommended for teens in grades 7 and up.

BPL Comic Con Teen Logo Contest Winner!

Congratulations to EMILY DIONNE who won our BPL Comic Con Teen Logo Contest! Emily’s design is being used for our first ever BPL Comic Con on October 15. Amazing job, Emily!
What's happening @ your library™

**all ages**

**BPL Comic Con**
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM**

Downtown

Calling all comic book fans! Join us for our first ever BPL Comic Con, a full-day event celebrating all things comic. Featuring local vendors, Artist Alley, Jr Cosplay and Cosplay contests, author signings, fan meetups, workshops, cake contest, face painting, games and more! Come dressed in costume and enjoy this day of fun for all ages. Free.

**Book Swap**
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2:30 – 4:30 PM**

Downtown Angus Ross Room

Do you have much-loved novels or non-fiction books that you would like to give a new lease on life? Do your bookshelves need refreshing? Our Teen Advisory Board is hosting a Book Swap - bring books that you would like to share with others and exchange them for new reads. For every book you bring you'll get a book token, which can be then be used to exchange for new books. Book Swap rules: No library books, no text books, no damaged or moldy books, maximum 10 books per person.

**Friday Fright Night**
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 7:00 – 8:30 PM**

Downtown

Join us at the library for a spook-tacular evening for all ages! Do the dead walk among us? Do haunted houses really exist? Find out at the library as local ghost hunter Tara will be giving a terror-some talk at 7:40 p.m. for adults and teens on some of the people and places she has investigated with her ghost hunting team! Get a first-hand account of local haunting cases as well as an explanation of all of the equipment used in paranormal investigations. The Fright Night will also feature "Owen the Great" magic show at 7:00 p.m., crafts and other spooky activities for children!

**How To in 10**
**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1:30 – 3:30 PM**

Downtown

Painswick

Want to learn something new – in 10 minutes? Come check out the How To In 10 event @your library™. This free all-ages afternoon festival offers 10-minute mini-sessions where you can learn a new skill in 10 minutes. Local groups and volunteers are teaching skills like basic knitting/crocheting skills, how to take an amazing selfie with a smartphone, and how to use an epi pen. Come learn something new!

**ages 14+**

**Colouring Drop-In**
**THURSDAYS, SEP. 8, OCT. 13, NOV. 10, 7:00 – 8:00 PM**

Downtown Main Floor

**WEDNESDAYS, SEPT. 7, OCT.5, NOV. 2, 7:00 – 8:00 PM**

Painswick RBC Living Room

Colouring isn't just for kids anymore! Adult colouring books are now making the New York Times Best Seller list. Bring your own pencil crayons, markers, crayons or make use of the library's, and we'll provide the colouring sheets. Join us for a relaxing hour of colour and conversation as we create together. Ages 14 and up.

**Stitch n' Chat**
**TUESDAYS, SEPT. 13, OCT. 11, NOV. 8, 7:00– 8:30 PM**

Downtown Main Floor

Teens and adults of all skill levels are invited to bring their knitting, crocheting, or any other portable needle project to the Downtown library and enjoy this crafty, social get-together the second Tuesday of the month. Chat, discuss projects, and share ideas. For all skill levels. Ages 14 years and up.

**Tinker Thursdays**
**THURSDAYS, SEPTEMBER 22, OCTOBER 20 & 27, NOVEMBER 17 & 24, 6:00 – 7:00 PM**

Downtown Main Floor

Build robots, hack electronics, write code and learn how to take things apart and put them back together again in our Tinker Lab. Join us for weekly activities, tutorials and just plain fun messing around. Suitable for all ages 14 years and older.

**Learn to 3D Print**
**TUESDAYS, SEPT. 20, OCT. 18, NOV. 22, 6:00 – 8:00 PM**

**WEDNESDAYS, OCT. 12, NOV. 10, 6:00 – 8:00 PM**

Downtown Georgian International Room

3D printing allows you to conceptualize a physical object, design it and then print it. Learn how to create your very own design using TinkerCad and watch as your creation prints into existence. Note: A 3D printing job can take several hours. Participants will design objects that will be printed at a later date and can be picked up after the program. The size of the object created will be limited to a reasonable size at the discretion of the instructor. This program is open to all ages 14 and up with a maximum of 8 participants. Registration is required at barriepubliclibrary.ca on the library events calendar.

**adults**

**Drop-In Social**
**WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 21, OCTOBER 19, NOVEMBER 16, 2:00 – 3:00 PM**

Downtown Angus Ross Room

**WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 7, OCTOBER 5, NOVEMBER 2, 2:00 - 3:00 PM**

Painswick Massie Family Program Room

Adults of all ages are invited to attend and make new friends. These socials feature book chats, guest speakers, activities, card/board games and more! See below for monthly topics at each location.

**DOWNTOWN TOPICS:**
**SEPTEMBER 21 - Rogues & Scoundrels with Town Crier Steve Travers**. Our town crier will deliver an amusing and historically accurate account of 18th Century rogues, rakes, and scoundrels.

**OCTOBER 19 - Labyrinth with Beth Fryer**. What is a modern Labyrinth and why are they becoming popular? Join us as Beth Fryer, Labyrinth Facilitator, sets one out in the library and shows us how to use it for stress management.

**NOVEMBER 16 - Tinker Lab with Sarah Crooks**. Join staff for this exploration of fun things you can try in the library Tinker Lab. Will include 3D printing, laser engraving, and more.

**PAINSWICK TOPICS:**
**SEPTEMBER 7 – TBA**

**OCTOBER 5 – TBA**

**NOVEMBER 2 – In Flanders Fields (1998, 46 minutes)**. This National Film Board production chronicles the life of John McCrae, the author of "In Flanders Fields", from his childhood in Guelph, Ontario, to the battlefields of Belgium. It tells the story of his famous poem and pays tribute to the Canadian soldiers who died for a few feet of Belgian soil.

**Adult Colouring Drop-In**
**THURSDAYS, SEPTEMBER 8, OCTOBER 13, NOVEMBER 10, 7:00 – 8:00 PM**

Downtown Main Floor

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**Adult Book Forum**  
**MONDAYS, SEPTEMBER 12, OCTOBER 3, NOVEMBER 7, 1:00 - 3:00 pm**  
**Painswick Huronia Oral Surgery Group Study Room**  
A book club with no required reading! The Book Forum is for people who love reading and love discussing books and authors. Participants are encouraged to discuss a variety of books and genres. In September, we will discuss Biographies, and will determine which other genres are to be discussed at later meetings.

**Around the World in 60 Minutes: The Historic Aegean**  
**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 7:00 - 8:30 PM**  
**Downtown Angus Ross Room**  
Travel the history of the Aegean - from the Bronze Age village of Akrotiri to the majestic architecture of Imperial Rome! View highlights from our presenter’s journey through Italy, Greece, and Turkey, including the treasures of the Vatican Museums, the famous Parthenon, and the city of Ephesus. There will be a digital slide presentation followed by an opportunity to ask questions.

**Around the World in 60 Minutes: Magnificent Greece**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 7:00-8:00 PM**  
**Downtown Angus Ross Room**  
Athens is the starting point to a treasure chest of Greek islands. Come and explore Hydra (no cars), Mykonos, Rhodes, Naxos, Paros, Santorini (the most beautiful), & Ios – presenter Dave Yawney’s favourite. There will be a digital slide presentation followed by an opportunity to ask questions.

**English Conversation Circle**  
**SATURDAYS, FROM SEP. 24 – NOV. 26, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (Except for Sat., October 15)**  
**Downtown Angus Ross Room**  
Practice English, meet new friends and learn more about life and culture in Canada! Trained volunteer facilitators will lead small group discussions and activities to help you build your vocabulary, improve your confidence and teach you important soft skills.

**Connecting with Family Series**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2:30 - 4:30 PM**  
**Downtown Main Floor**  
Searching for your British ancestors? Drop in to see how the library, in partnership with Family History Centre and Simcoe County OGS consultants, can help. Bring your questions.

**Help With Your Health Concerns**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2:30 - 4:30 PM**  
**Painswick Massie Family Program Room**  
There is a lot of conflicting information on health issues out there. Join us for an information session on how to navigate your library’s health resources. Please note that any information found in library resources should not be viewed as a means for self-diagnosis. Contact a physician or medical professional if you need medical advice.

**NaNoWriMo!**
Barrie Public Library is a proud supporter of NaNoWriMo, National Novel Writing Month! So come on in and write your novel here in the month of November.

**NaNoWriMo Write-In**  
**SATURDAY, NOV. 12 OR NOV. 26, 2:00 - 4:00 PM**  
**Downtown Georgian International Room**  
Come and join us for a NaNoWriMo write-in, hosted by a 7-year NaNoWriMo writer. A great way to boost your word count and meet other WRIMOS! You are not alone in your November challenge! Join us to chat, bounce ideas off each other, combat writers block, or just write. Bring your coffee, your ideas and your novel and write-in at the BPL!

**Hall of Remembrance**  
**NOVEMBER 9, 10, AND 11, 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM**  
**Painswick Massie Family Program Room**  
Walk to Remember and reflect on the Canadian experience in war time. Enjoy interactive displays, listening stations, write to a veteran or a currently serving Canadian Forces soldier. Watch live feed from Parliament Hill and observe 2 minutes of silence.

**Winter Driving Safety Tips**  
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 7:00 - 8:30 PM**  
**Painswick Massie Family Program Room**  
Ontario winters can be challenging for motorists and unpredictable weather conditions place extra demands on your driving skills and your vehicle. This is an educational presentation to help drivers prepare for winter driving conditions. It also features helpful information about driving safely during winter conditions and winter road maintenance practices that drivers should be aware of.

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**tinker programs**

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**Learn to 3D Print**  
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Tech one-on-one

Need some help with your e-reader? Wondering how to find your way around the library website? You can book a one hour one-on-one session with a library staff member who can help you work through your technology questions. Book a time at least a week ahead.

At this time, we offer sessions on the following topics:

- Check out and download ebooks and audiobooks on Apple devices (iPad, iPod Touch, iPhone or iPad Mini), Android devices (Samsung or Nexus) or Kobo e-reader.
- Learn how to use Hoopla (for streaming music and movies) and Zinio (to subscribe to e-magazines)
- Learn how to use the SimplyMap database to conduct business research
- Learn about the BPL website, including our library catalogue and online databases.
- Ancestry.ca Library Edition
- Set up an email account on Yahoo, Gmail or Outlook.
- Set up a social media account on Facebook, Pinterest, Twitter or LinkedIn.

Pre-Beginner Internet: Moving the Mouse
**SEPTEMBER 20 OR OCTOBER 19, 10:00 - 10:45 AM**

Do you wish you could 'get in on' the computer age, but can't get that computer mouse to move? We will use Internet games and exercises to help you learn to master the mouse in this low pressure, hands-on half hour workshop. Session is free, but limited to 8 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

Introduction to the Internet
**SEPTEMBER 27 OR OCTOBER 26, 10:00 - 11:30 AM**

This workshop will introduce you to the web browser, common features of web pages and how to move around the web. This workshop is for people with very little or no Internet experience, but with mouse skills. Session is free, but limited to 8 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

Introduction to Email
**GMAIL: OCTOBER 13, 2:00 - 3:30 PM
OUTLOOK/HOTMAIL: NOV. 22, 10:00 - 11:30 AM**

Learn how to send and read email using a web-based email service. Navigate the email inbox and address book, organize your messages and send documents and pictures as attachments. For adults who are comfortable using the Internet. Session is free, but limited to 8 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

Advanced Internet: Narrowing the Search
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2:00 - 3:30 PM**

Learn how to find information on the Internet by effectively using search engines, directories, and specialized search tools. Learn about the library’s own online research resources, newspapers, magazines and other services. We also provide some tips to ensure privacy and security when using the web. For Adults who are comfortable using the Internet. Session is free, but limited to 8 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

Social Media: Pinterest
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2:00 - 3:30 PM**

Learn about the websites people use to find friends and stay connected online. Pinterest lets you share pictures, websites and info about what you find interesting — crafts, wedding planning, travel — you name it. This session is limited to 8 people.

eBooks – Getting Started
**Downtown, Main Floor, SEPTEMBER 29, 10:00 - 11:30 AM**

Discover how to use a wide range of electronic books from the Barrie Public Library. We will show you how to search and browse our library catalogue for eBooks and eAudiobooks. Learn about the various ways you can enjoy eBooks: on your home computer, mobile device, or specialized e-reader. Basic knowledge of email and Internet use is required to get the most out of this session. Please note: This session covers the eBooks and eAudiobooks in the Barrie Public Library collection only.

Tablet Training
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 6:30 - 8:30 PM**

Got a new iPad as a gift? Maybe a bit confused what to do with it? Let us show you how to use your iPad, or other tablet, to download library books and magazines! We’ll look at the basic use of your tablet, share some simple tips and tricks, and take a good look at how you can access library resources!
Business Plan Basics (Registered Program)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

THURSDAYS, SEPT. 22 OR NOV. 17, 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Downtown  Georgian International Room

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2:00 – 4:00 PM

Painswick  Massie Family Program Room

Writing your first business plan is a major step in putting your small business on the map. The point of your business plan is to articulate the concepts that inspired you to start your business as well as evaluate potential hurdles like competition and funding issues. Whether you are seeking start-up capital or just want a solid roadmap to guide you through the early years of your business, a workable small business plan will help you work toward your goals. In this session we’ll walk through each component of the plan and best practices in completing it. Note: This program is offered in partnership with the Small Business Centre, Barrie, Simcoe County & Orillia. Registration is required at barriebusinesscentre.ca. Please indicate your business type in the Note field when registering. There is a maximum of 10 participants for this program.

It is recommended to first attend Starting Your Business Basics offered at the Small Business Centre, followed by Business Plan Basics offered at the Barrie Public Library. Starting Your Business is an introduction to business, and Business Plan Basics builds on this by presenting how to write a business plan. Register for Starting Your Business Basics at barriebusinesscentre.ca.

Starting Your Business Basics!

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

OR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2:00 – 4:00 PM

OR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Downtown  Georgian International Room

Welcome to the World of Entrepreneurship! The Starting Your Business sessions are geared towards entrepreneurs who have decided to start their own business, and are ready to take the next steps in establishing their business ideas. Sessions are held in a small group setting and lead by a Small Business Consultant.

Topics include:
- What is your business idea? Is there a market demand for it?
- Financing: Will you need it?
- Protecting yourself and the business
- Regulations, permits, and licensing
- Taxation
- Researching your target market
- Marketing your business
- Business plan
- Whether to register a business name
- Managing finances
- Getting Connected: Networking, mentors, workshops and seminars

Note: This program is offered in partnership with the Small Business Centre. Registration is required at barriebusinesscentre.ca. Please indicate your business type in the Note field when registering. There is a maximum of 10 participants for this program.

Social Media Drop-In for your Business

FRIDAYS, SEPT. 16, OCT. 14, NOV. 25, 12:00 – 1:00 PM

Downtown  Georgian International Room

Does the use of Social Media in your business cause you stress? Have questions about the business side of Social Media? The Small Business Centre, in partnership with the Barrie Public Library, is offering a solution to the business owner’s social media woes. Small business owners will be given the opportunity to ask questions and discuss challenges faced with the business side of social media.

Simply Map Drop-In Session

SEPTEMBER 13 OR NOVEMBER 24, 2:30 – 4:00 PM

Downtown  Georgian International Room

Search data from Canadian Census, Canadian Survey of Household Spending and Dun & Bradstreet Canadian Company Database. You can do both consumer and business research, gain marketing insights and combine this with web-based mapping capabilities. This workshop will help participants learn how to navigate the database with a 30 minute demonstration and 1.5 hour hands on session for practical learning. Note: There is a maximum of 5 participants for this program. Please register for this program at barriepubliclibrary.ca on the library events calendar.

Growing Your Home-Based Business

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2:00 – 4:00 PM

Painswick  Massie Family Program Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2:00 – 4:00 PM

Downtown  Georgian International Room

Market research can be daunting, but it doesn’t have to be. The library can offer you resources and guidance to find and grow your target market. Whether you are a new entrepreneur, direct sales or Multi-Level Marketing business owner, or just thinking about starting a business this workshop will give you the tools to do your own market research using credible, up-to-date sources. There is a maximum of 10 participants for this program. Please indicate your business type in the Note field when registering.
ENGLISH CONVERSATION CIRCLE

Practice English, meet new friends and learn more about life and culture in Canada!

Come weekly to learn about a different Canadian tradition, celebration or cultural practice:

OCT 1 – Cultures, religions and celebrations of the world.  
   Trip: MacLaren Art Gallery

OCT 8 – Thanksgiving Discussion.  
   Trip: Barrie Farmers’ Market

OCT 22 – How to get around Barrie.  
   Trip: City Bus Tour

OCT 29 – Halloween Discussion

NOV 5 – Remembrance Day Discussion

NOV 12 – Remembrance Day.  
   Trip: Barrie Cenotaph Celebration

NOV 19 – Trip: Tree Lighting Celebration

NOV 26 – Santa Claus Parade

Visit barriepubliclibrary.ca for more information about our English Conversation Circle program.

Get creative in our Tinker Lab!  
With a 3D printer, Ozobots, K’NEX Amusement Park, Dash robots, laser engraver and more, there IS something for everyone!