

Thursday, February 1, 2024

French Conversation Circle

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Address: 36 Mississauga Street West Orillia, Ontario L3V 3A6

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No registration is required! This Storytime is for all ages.

Bookworms Book Club

Date and Time: Thursday, February 1 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 36 Mississauga Street West Orillia, Ontario L3V 3A6

Join the Bookworms Book Club as they meet to discuss this month's book selection. Please email info@orilliapubliclibrary.ca or call 705-325-2556 for more information. This meeting will be in person.

Saturday, February 3, 2024

STEAM Saturdays!

Date and Time: Saturday, February 3 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Address: 36 Mississauga St West, Orillia, ON, L3V 3A6

Come investigate the world of STEAM (Science, technology, engineering, art, math) with us on Saturday's 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.! Activities, crafts, projects, and experiments will keep your family entertained!

No registration is required for this drop-in program.

Sunday, February 4, 2024

Family Art

Date and Time: Sunday, February 4 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: 36 Mississaga Street West, Orillia, ON, L3V 7A4

Drop-in to the Family Department for a fun art project that all skill levels will enjoy! Best part? Leave the mess here!

This program runs every Wednesday from 4:30-7 p.m. and Sunday from 1:30-3:30 p.m. No registration is required.

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Monday, February 5, 2024

VON SMART Exercise Class

Date and Time: Monday, February 5 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 36 Mississaga Street West Orillia, Ontario L3V 3A6

Join VON Canada SMART (Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together) for an exercise class for seniors 55+. SMART's gentle exercises are for those that want to improve their strength, balance and flexibility regardless of their current physical ability. For more information and to register, call the Orillia SMART team at 705-326-7021.

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

Toddler Tuesday

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 6 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 36 Mississaga St West, Orillia, ON, L3V 3A6

Caregivers, share a love of learning with your busy toddlers in this 5-week program full of stories, rhymes, wiggles, crafts, and play.

This program runs every Tuesday from January 16-February 13 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the Family Dept. Program Room.

(Up-to-date library membership required.)

Chair Yoga

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 6 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 36 Mississaga Street West Orillia, Ontario L3V 3A6

Try yoga from the comfort of a chair with Certified Hatha Yoga Instructor, Melanie Rimkay. The **cost is \$24** cash for four in-library classes. This new session begins on **Tuesday, February 6th at 10:30 a.m.** and runs every Tuesday until **February 27th**.

This class is ideal for anyone with knee/hip replacements or balance issues. **Please register online** and bring your cash payment to the first class.

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

Babytime

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 7 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 36 Mississaga St West, Orillia, ON, L3V 3A6

Join us for stories, songs, tickles, and bounces, in this five session baby and caregiver program. Each program will end with a baby play time and caregiver social.

This program runs every Wednesdays from January 17-February 14 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in Program Rooms 1 & 2.

English Conversation Circle

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 7 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

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Family Art

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 7 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm

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Thursday, February 8, 2024

French Conversation Circle

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No registration is required! This Storytime is for all ages.

Ukulele Jam

Date and Time: Thursday, February 8 6:00 pm - 7:45 pm

Address: 36 Mississaga Street West, Orillia, ON L3V 0K8

Bring your ukulele to the Library for a fun jam! Hosted by the Sunshine Ukulele Network (S.U.N.). Please contact sunshine.ukuleles@gmail.com for the song files. All skill levels welcome; no registration required.

Ukulele Jam

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Teen Thursdays: Spread the Love - DIY Valentines

Date and Time: Thursday, February 8 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 36 Mississauga Street West, Orillia, ON, L3V 3A6

Teen Thursdays in February: 6-7 p.m.

Free for teens ages 13-18; meet us on the 2nd floor near the Young Adult book section. No registration is required but all materials are on a first-come, first serve basis.

February 8 - Spread the Love: DIY Valentines

Roses are red, violets are blue, it's almost Valentine's Day and this program is made just for you! Get ready to cut, paste, and paint Valentine's Day cards for your loved ones.

February 22 - Dine and Design

Enjoy pizza while also exploring the wonders of the library Makerspace, all without spending a penny! As a special treat, every participant will have the opportunity to work on personalized projects during the event. Attend on your own or bring a friend.

Friday, February 9, 2024

Surprise Book Bouquet Bags

Date and Time: Friday, February 9 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Address: 36 Mississauga St West, Orillia, ON, L3V 3A6

Let us help you fall in love with a new book this February by ordering a Surprise Book Bouquet Bag! Each bag of books is tailored to your child. Register by February 4th to let us know what types of books your child enjoys and their Book Bouquet will be checked out and ready to pick up in the Family Department on February 9th at 10 a.m.!

This is a free program for children and youth ages 0-19.

An up-to-date library membership is required.

Mini Kindies

Date and Time: Friday, February 9 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Address: 36 Mississauga St West, Orillia, ON, L3V 3A6

Help prepare your child for kindergarten with this early literacy based program that will encourage the development of social skills, independence, & confidence. For children aged 3-5.

A membership is required for this registered program.

Anti-Valentine's Trivia Night

Date and Time: Friday, February 9 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Address: 405 Memorial Avenue, Orillia, ON, L3V 6H1

Gather your friends and family for a night of fun, food, and trivia on Friday February 9th from 6-9 p.m. at Kelsey's Original Roadhouse. Test your knowledge of movies, music and more. Register in teams of 2 to 4 people. The winning team will take home the coveted Cold Heart trophy! This program is for Library members ages 18 + and costs \$5 per person. (Please bring \$5 cash the night of the event.) Doors open at 6 p.m., trivia starts promptly at 6:30 p.m. Last day to register is Wednesday, February 7th.

Saturday, February 10, 2024

STEAM Saturdays!

Date and Time: Saturday, February 10 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

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No registration is required for this drop-in program.

Sunday, February 11, 2024

Family Art

Date and Time: Sunday, February 11 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

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Drop-in to the Family Department for a fun art project that all skill levels will enjoy! Best part? Leave the mess here!

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Monday, February 12, 2024

VON SMART Exercise Class

Date and Time: Monday, February 12 10:30 am - 11:30 am

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Tuesday, February 13, 2024

Toddler Tuesday

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 13 10:30 am - 11:30 am

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Caregivers, share a love of learning with your busy toddlers in this 5-week program full of stories, rhymes, wiggles, crafts, and play.

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(Up-to-date library membership required.)

Chair Yoga

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 13 10:30 am - 11:30 am

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Wednesday, February 14, 2024

Babytime

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English Conversation Circle

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Valen-Tweens Night

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 14 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 36 Mississaga St West, Orillia, ON, L3V 3A6

Dear Valen-Tweens, feeling chilly this Valentine's? No sweat! Jenny's got your back with some heartwarming crafts! Get ready to create your very own heart string art and snuggly sock bears.

This free program is for ages 9-13.

An up-to-date membership is required.

An adult must remain in the building for participants aged 9.

Thursday, February 15, 2024

French Conversation Circle

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Genealogy Club

Date and Time: Thursday, February 15 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

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This month: Connecting North America to a 400 Year Old Family Tree

Genealogy-Club member Lisa Rance shares insights from her work with the Van Valkenburgs, a New Netherlands family that her husband descends from. Three topics: 1. Using web technology to connect to tree and history. 2. Tracing European Genealogy before 1645. 3. Discoveries from a Paternal Y-DNA Surname Study. (it IS 400 years old, with documentation, and contains nearly 75,000 individuals!)

The OPL's Genealogy Club meets the third Thursday of each month (except July and August) at 2:00 p.m. Our members have an interest in genealogy and enjoy meeting with other like-minded people, a mix of experienced genealogists and newbies. Each month, a different topic is presented, either by members of the club, or professional genealogists. Meetings are open to all Orillia Public Library cardholders. For more information on this free monthly program, please contact 705-325-2556 or email us.

Saturday, February 17, 2024

STEAM Saturdays!

Date and Time: Saturday, February 17 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

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My Behaviour Matters Workshop: Feeling Angry

Date and Time: Saturday, February 17 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 36 Mississaga St West, Orillia, ON, L3V 3A6

"My Behaviour Matters" workshop is a unique 60-minute psychoeducational session designed by Dr. Patapia Totzoli, Clinical Psychologist. Tailored for children aged 4-6 years, this workshop is perfect for nurturing emotional and social skills in young minds. This workshop is enriched by the expertise of mental health professionals Jessie Derraugh, Social Worker and Zoe Fysikoudi (Psychotherapist) and offer an engaging learning experience focusing on emotions, communication, teamwork, problem-solving, empathy, self-regulation, and positive behavioural choices. Ideal for children with typical development or mild to moderate behavioural challenges, these workshops provide an enjoyable, safe environment for children to learn and grow. Attend this workshop and give your child the gift of essential life skills!

This program is intended for both parent and child participation.

Registration is required.

*Note, the same workshop will be offered Saturday, February 17th and Saturday, February 24th.

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Chair Yoga

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Book Chatter

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 20 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Address: 36 Mississaga Street West, Orillia, Ontario, L3V 3A6

Join Lee and share what you're reading and gather suggestions from other readers during this relaxed hour of bookish conversation.

For the month of June, members will be meeting at Couchiching Beach Park.

Homeschool Hangout

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 20 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 36 Mississaga St West, Orillia, ON, L3V 3A6

Homeschoolers and their families are invited to the Family Department for a monthly homeschool social, complete with OPL staff-created activity stations.

No registration is required.

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Family Art

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English Conversation Circle

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Teen Thursdays: Dine and Design

Date and Time: Thursday, February 22 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

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Saturday, February 24, 2024

STEAM Saturdays!

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Sunday, February 25, 2024

Family Art

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Monday, February 26, 2024

VON SMART Exercise Class

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Tuesday, February 27, 2024

Chair Yoga

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Wednesday, February 28, 2024

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Family Art

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 28 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm

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Thursday, February 29, 2024

French Conversation Circle

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Leap Back to the Future!

Date and Time: Thursday, February 29 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: 36 Mississaga St West, Orillia, ON, L3V 3A6

Great Scott! Families, join us this Leap Day for a fun-filled evening of building your very own time machine in the Family Department. Once you're going 88 mph, use your new invention to journey through time, play game

s, and complete challenges.

No registration is required but space is limited.

<https://events.orilliapubliclibrary.ca>