

February 2023

Movie Nights

Respect

Thursday, February 2nd at 6:00 pm (145 min) "Following the rise of Aretha Franklin's career from a child singing in her father's church's choir to her international superstardom, Respect is the remarkable true story of the music icon's journey to find her voice" (imdb.com).

Starring Jennifer Hudson and Forest Whitaker





Thursday, February 9th at 6:30 pm (98 min)

"Faith and family helped baseball legend Willie Mays Aikens survive a historically unjust incarceration, but he quickly finds upon his release that faith and family - and addiction and fame - are still as hard as hitting a curveball" (criterionpic.com).



Thursday, February 16th at 6:30 pm (131 min)

"In 1955, after Emmett Till is murdered in a brutal lynching, his mother vows to expose the racism behind the attack while working to have those involved brought to justice" (imdb.com). Starring Whoopi Goldberg and Danille Deadwyler.





The Fabelmans

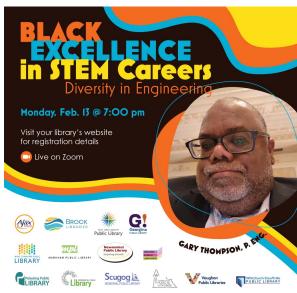
Thursday, February 23rd at 6:00 pm (150 min)

Growing up in post-World War II era Arizona, a young man named Sammy Fabelman discovers a shattering family secret and explores how the power of films can help him see the truth. Directed by Steven Spielberg, this semi-autobiography is based on his own childhood growing up in post-war Arizona, from age seven to eighteen.

Movie tickets are \$2 each and are available at the Circulation Desk one week in advance

A note about film ratings: The Province of Ontario no longer provides film ratings. For more information about film contents, we recommend visiting imdb.com. We also provide a printout of the imdb.com ratings and content information at the circulation desk.

February is Black History Month



Join us as we showcase Black Excellence in Engineering with a feature presentation by Electrical Engineer and Energy specialist Gary Thompson, PEng. This session will be hosted live on Zoom.

As an Engineering practitioner and advocate for Diversity in Engineering, Gary Thompson shares his experiences and opportunities for success in this STEM field.

When: Monday, February 13, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Please register by visiting the Information Desk or email us at info@scugoglibrary.ca and we'll provide you with the Zoom link to attend this event online.

This program is presented jointly by public libraries from Durham and York Regions: Ajax Public Library, Brock Township Public Library, East Gwillimbury Public Library, Georgina Public Library, King Township Public Library,

Markham Public Library, Newmarket Public Library, Pickering Public Library, Oshawa Public Libraries, Richmond Hill Public Library, Scugog Public Library, Uxbridge Public Library, Vaughan Public Libraries, Whitchurch-Stouffville Library.

Tech Talk Tuesday: Making the Most of Google

Did you know that your Gmail account gives you free access to all sorts of programs and services on the internet? Join us for this in-person seminar which will introduce you to the many Google products that you can use simply by logging in to your Gmail account. We will discuss Google Drive, Docs, Maps, Photos, Calendar, Youtube, Chromebooks, and more.

When: February 21st at 3 pm
Please register by calling 905-985-7686 x101 or visit the Information Desk



Zoomer Tech Cafe



Are you looking for some guidance with your new computer, tablet or cell phone? Do you like to keep up with current tech trends or learn about new programs and apps? Then drop in to the Zoomer Tech Café on a Saturday afternoon, an excellent group for seniors who want to learn at their own pace and have a few laughs at the same time.

This is a drop-in program and pre-registration is not required.

When: Saturdays - February 11th and 25th from 2 to 3 pm

Early Literacy Programs



Babytime

Join Leslie for our Babytime program, with 30 minutes of songs, bounces and stories that you can also do at home with your baby to extend the learning and fun!

Registration is required. For newborn to 16 months

When: Tuesdays <u>or</u> Wednesdays at 11 am from February 14th to March 8th

New Saturday Babytime! Saturdays at 11:30 from February 18th to March 11th

Our same great Babytime program is now available on Saturdays to meet the needs of families who are unable to attend weekday programs! Babytime is a great way to spend quality time with your baby and build those early language connections. It's also a fantastic way to get to know other parents and caregivers in the community! Registration is required.

Parent & Tot

The next step for toddlers ages 16 months up to 3 years.

Registration is required.

When: Tuesdays or Wednesdays at 10 am to 10:45 am

from February 14th to March 8th.

Please visit or call the Information Desk at 905-985-7686 x101 to register

Bilingual Saturday Family Storytime



Join us for a Family Storytime for children ages 0-6 with their parents or caregivers. Leslie will share her favourite stories and songs in both English and French. Participants will develop early literacy skills and build their French and English vocabularies. No previous French experience necessary!

Rejoignez-nous pour notre programme familial d'histoires et chansons pour les enfants de 0 à 6 ans et leurs parents ou gardiens. Les lie va partager ses histoires préférées en anglais et français. Les participants développeront des premières compétences en littératie afin d'agrandir leur vocabulaire français et anglais.

When: Saturdays at 10:30 to 11:15 am from February 18th to March 11th

This is a drop-in program and registration is not required.

Tea & Books



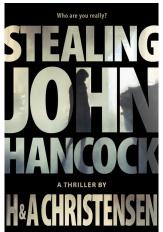
Don't miss the next Tea & Books live and in-person at the library!

Join us for tea, treats and booktalks from some of our staff members' current favourite titles.

Come and discover some great new reads! Registration is not required.

When: Thursday, February 2nd at 2 pm

SMPL Evening Book Club



Join a group of fellow readers, for tea, treats and a lively discussion. This month, we will discuss **Stealing John Hancock by H&A Christensen**

"After a nasty breakup and being scammed into an acting job that doesn't exist, JP suddenly finds himself the unwitting victim of an identity theft that has police detective Nya Grey hot on his heels for multimillion-dollar real estate fraud he didn't commit." This page-turning thriller with a Port Perry setting is sure to spark a great discussion!

When: Thursday, February 23rd at 7 pm, registration is not required

Meet the Authors!



Crime, She Wrote! An Evening with Writers H&A Christensen

Join us for a special evening with local mother/daughter writing duo H&A Christensen as they discuss finding writing inspiration in the world of identity theft, and how it led to their thriller **Stealing John Hancock**. They will show you how they researched real crime and fraud policing, and worked together to develop plot twists, suspense, and compelling characters in their novel.

They will talk about why this project had them veer from screenwriting, where they had worked for over a decade. This one-hour presentation will take you through their writing process and the ways in which their novel thrust them into the dark and strange recesses of cybercrimes and the darknet, and how they emerged with insights into the meaning of identity and how we each construct our own sense of self. There will be an opportunity for Q&A after the presentation, and a chance to have a copy of their book signed.

When: Tuesday, February 28th at 7 pm, registration is not required