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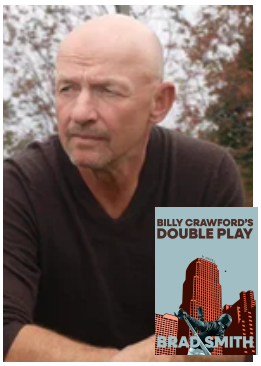
WHAT'S ON

October 2026

Heart of the Story: Authors in Conversation



Join us for the next talk in the Heart of the Story series!
These evenings offer special readings by the visiting authors and the opportunity to discover the inspiration behind their work.

This month, join Brad Smith, author of Billy Crawford's Double Play.

Books are available to purchase at the event. This program is offered free of charge and registration is not required.

When: Tuesday October 13th at 7:00pm

Makerspace Project of the Month: Halloween Tote Bags

Make a spooky (and reuseable) Trick or Treat bag! All materials are included and multiple designs will be available to choose from. Ages 6 and up. Children under 14 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Cricut booking required.

Bags are $5 each.

When: Any Makerspace Cricut booking in October. Sign up for a booking online at www.scugoglibrary.ca/makerspace or at the Information Desk (905-985-7686 x1010).

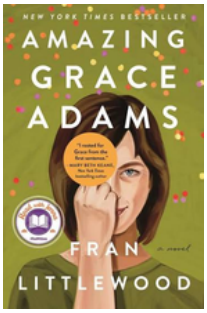
Adult Craft Night

Enjoy a relaxing evening of crafting and socializing at the library. This month we will be making adorable gnomes using upcycled materials. No crafting experience required. All supplies will be provided. Ages 18+

Individual registration is not required, but groups of four or more are asked to call 905-985-7686 ext. 1010 or email info@scugoglibrary.ca to reserve their table.

When: Tuesday, October 6th at 6:30pm

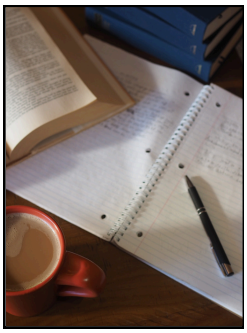
SMPL Book Club



Join a group of fellow readers for a lively literary discussion. This month, we will discuss Amazing Grace Adams by Fran Littlewood. Copies of the book are available to borrow at the Circulation Desk, beginning September 25th, while supplies last.

When: Thursday, October 29th at 7:00pm. Registration is not required.

Introduction to Writing: a four week course



This workshop with our Writer in Residence is designed for adults wishing to begin a writing project. The basics of good writing are covered and guided practice opportunities will be provided. The instructor will review and help to edit the participant's pages throughout the course. Participants should bring a lined notebook and writing utensils (no technology please) and plan to attend all four dates.

Thursday October 29th from 6:00 - 8:00pm
Thursday November 12th from 6:00 - 8:00pm
Thursday November 26th from 6:00 - 8:00pm
Thursday December 3rd from 6:00 - 8:00pm

Registration is limited.
Contact the Information Desk at 905-985-7686 x1010 to register.

Writer in Residence

Everyone has a story to tell.
Individual appointments are available with Lucy E.M. Black, our Writer in Residence to work with you on your personal writing journey.

One-on-one meeting slots are available:
Thursday October 8th between 4:30pm and 7:00pm

Contact the Information Desk at 905-985-7686 x1010 to register.

Early Literacy Programs

Babytime
For babies (newborn to 16 months) and their parent or caregiver. Join Leslie for 30 minutes of songs, bounces and stories! Please visit or call the Information Desk at 905-985-7686 x1010 to register.
When: Wednesdays at 11:00am starting October 7th

Toddler Time
The next step for toddlers ages 16 months up to 3 years with their parent or caregiver. This is a drop-in program and registration is not required.
When: Tuesdays or Wednesdays from 10:00 to 10:45am starting October 6th

All Ages Family Fun on Saturdays

Join us on Saturday mornings for family fun and creativity!
We'll have crafts and activities for children and their parents or caregivers to work on together and Leslie will share some stories and songs. Drop in between 10:30 am and 12:00 pm for some free family fun! Registration is not required.

When: Saturdays at 10:30am to 12:00pm on October 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st

Take & Make Crafts

Can't make it to a program? Take the program with you!

This month, make this hungry, chomping venus flytrap!

Take & Make craft kits will be available at the library starting October 1st
Pick up yours while supplies last!

Children's Materials Survey

We have had an incredibly busy summer, with 691 children registering for our annual TD Summer Reading Club (our highest number ever)!

We have been working hard to increase and improve our selection of children's books this year and we want to know what you think! Please take our short survey and let us know how we did & what else you would like to see on our shelves!

Scan this code, or visit our website at: https://www.scugoglibrary.ca/survey-on-childrens-materials/ to fill out the survey!

Celebrate Public Library Week!

Do you love your library? Let everyone know!

October 18th - 24th is Ontario Public Library Week - a chance to celebrate everything you love about your library. During this week, drop in and share the love by filling out a heart to hang on our window.

When: October 18th - 24th during the Library's open hours.

Free 55+ Exercise Classes

We have partnered with Community Care to continue to offer free exercise classes through their Falls Prevention program in the Library's Rotary Room. These programs are open to those aged 55 and up. You are welcome to attend one or both programs. First-time participants can register with the instructor at their first class.

When: Wednesdays and Fridays starting October 2nd
Wednesdays: Exercise (Falls Prevention) from 1:00 to 2:00pm
Chair Yoga from 2:15 to 3:15pm
Fridays: Exercise (Falls Prevention) from 1:00 to 2:00pm

October Movie Night

The Sheep Detectives (2026, 1 hr 49 min)
Thursday, October 15th at 6:00pm
Every night a shepherd reads aloud a murder mystery, pretending his sheep can understand. When he is found dead, the sheep realize at once that it was a murder and think they know everything about how to go about solving it.. Rated PG.

Movie tickets are $2.00 each and are available one week in advance

For accessibility, all movies are shown with English subtitles

Library Closure

The Library will be closed on:
Monday October 12th
for Thanksgiving