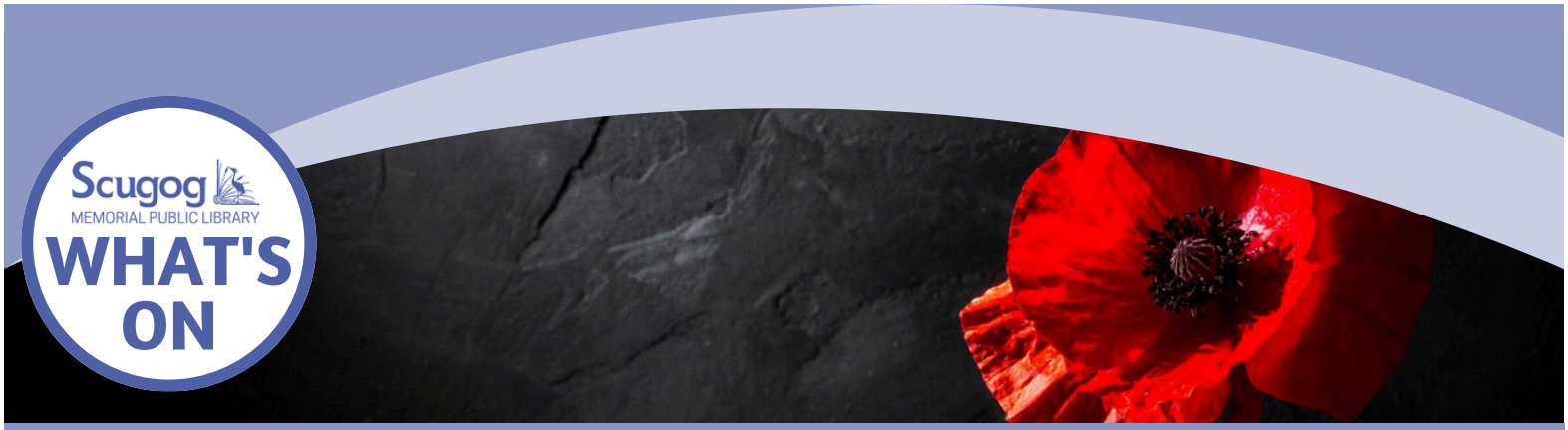

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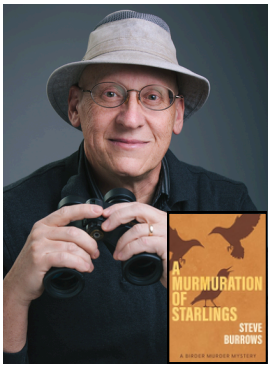
WHAT'S ON

November 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 Steve Burrows, author of A Murmuration of Starlings.

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

When: Tuesday November 10th at 7:00pm

Travelogue Presentation

Join us for an engaging presentation and lively Q&A with photographer, author, television host and world-traveler, Jonathan van Bilsen. Jonathan's presentation will feature his travels in Greece.

When: Monday November 9th at 3:00pm

This program is offered free of charge, but we ask that you pre-register by visiting the Information Desk or calling 905-985-7686 x1010

Why some smart kids struggle with reading: the science of dyslexia

Join Bob Almack, B.Sc., B.Ed., M.Ed. and learn about the myths and misconceptions surrounding reading disabilities, including what new research shows about the reading brain.

When: Thursday November 5th at 7:00pm

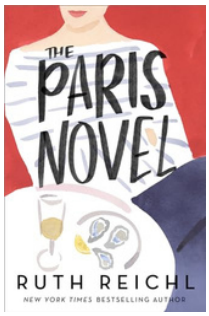
This program is offered free of charge, but we ask that you pre-register by visiting the Information Desk, emailing info@scugoglibrary.ca or calling 905-985-7686 x1010

November Movie Night

Project Hail Mary (2026, 2 hr 36 min)
Thursday, November 19th at 6:00pm
Ryland Grace (Ryan Gosling), a school-teacher-turned-astronaut, wakes up from a coma, alone, on a space station with no memory of who he is or his mission. His memory returns in bursts and he pieces together that he was sent to the Tau Ceti solar system, 12 light-years from Earth, to reverse the impact of a space event that had already hurled our planet into the early stages of an Ice Age. Rated PG-13.

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

SMPL Book Club



Join a group of fellow readers for a lively literary discussion. This month, we will discuss The Paris Novel by Ruth Reichl. Copies of the book are available to borrow at the Circulation Desk, beginning October 29th, while supplies last.

When: Thursday, November 26th at 7:00pm. Registration is not required.

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:
Tuesday November 17th between 4:30pm and 7:00pm

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

Snowflake Sale

Coming Soon!
Visit our annual Snowflake Sale to browse and buy a wide variety of items, all handcrafted by local artists and artisans.

This is a great way to browse for unique gift ideas and support your library at the same time, as we receive a portion of all sales!

When: The Snowflake Sale runs from December 4th to December 28th during Library hours of operation.

Please note that the Library is closed for the Holidays on December 24th, 25th & 26th

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!
This is a drop-in program and registration is not required.
When: Wednesdays at 11:00am starting November 4th

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 November 3rd

Please Note: The Library is closed on Wednesday November 11th and no programs will run that day.

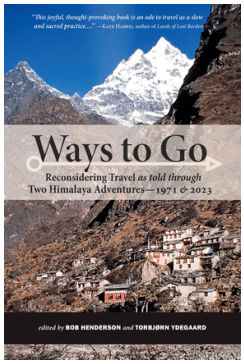
All Ages Family Fun on Saturdays

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 November 14th, 21st & 28th

LSHS Speaker Series



Join author Robert Henderson for an engaging talk about his book "Ways to go: adventures among the highest peaks of the Himalayas."

Registration is not required and you do not need to be a member of the Lake Scugog Historical Society to attend.

When: Tuesday November 17th from 7:00 to 8:30pm

Craft Night

Join us this month to make your own handcrafted poppy.
All supplies will be provided, no crafting experience required.

Registration is required. Please call 905-985-7686 ext. 1010 or email info@scugoglibrary.ca to register

When: Tuesday, November 3rd at 6:30pm

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 November 4th.
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

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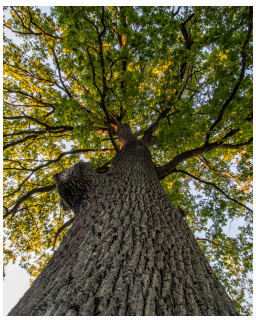
North Durham Nature



Explore the Unique Flora of High Park and the Humber Plains with Steve Varga.
Steve Varga will take us to High Park in Toronto to explore the unique plants that grow in the tall-grass prairie savannah and oak woodlands. The diversity of plants have drawn the attention of the Royal Ontario Museum as far back as the 1830's.

You do not have to be a member of North Durham Nature to attend this presentation. Registration is not required and all are welcome!

When: Tuesday November 24th from 7:00 to 8:30pm

Library Closure

The Library will be closed on:
Wednesday November 11th
for Remembrance Day