



Mark your Calendars!

Our Friday morning drop in programs resume October 5th; registration is open for our After School Programs as well as our popular Baby Rhyme Time. Weekends are busy too with the return of LEGO Lounge and *Bonjour Mes Amis Bilingual Story Time* at 10:30am on alternating Saturday mornings.



This month we're featuring a variety of programs including film screenings, language learning, art exploration, lectures, presentations, social gatherings and another concert!

The Tom Thomson Music & Mystery evening promises to be a *delight for the senses*. If you're an artist who would like to display your Tom Thomson inspired work, be sure to complete the participation form on our website. There are some amazing prize packs to be won! Tickets are limited and being sold in the library, or online.

Ontario Public Library Week is October 13 - 20. During this week, please stop by for a variety of book draws, activities and our second annual *Food for Fines*

Drive. We will clear any late charges on your card if you bring in a donation for the Food Bank. Last year library patrons cleared fines and in the process stocked more than 300 items onto Food Bank shelves.



Tom Thomson: Music & Mystery
 Saturday October 20 at 7:30pm
 in the ambiance of the Arnprior Public Library
 21 Madawaska Street

- ◊ Live music by *The Algonquin Ensemble*
- ◊ Storytelling by Geoff Taylor, author of *Tom Thomson's Last Bonfire*
 - ◊ Local artists exhibit work inspired by Tom Thomson
 - ◊ Multimedia presentation
- ◊ Wine & Cheese with Cash Bar

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Thanks to all who attended our sold out Sean McCann concert last month. More than \$1000 of the proceeds will be used to purchase new mental health and recovery resources for the library!



RSVP on our website

Sunday October 21st at 1pm we'll be screening the critically acclaimed *Indian Horse*, based on the novel by Richard Wagamese. It follows the life of Canadian First Nations boy, Saul Indian Horse, as he survives residential school and life amongst the racism of the 1970s. A talented hockey player, Saul must find his own path as he battles stereotypes and alcoholism.

For something COMPLETELY different...

We present the 1975 cult classic **Rocky Horror Picture Show** Saturday

October 27th at 7:30pm.

In the spirit of the Halloween season, we encourage costumes, but ask you refrain from throwing rice etc. during the show. Of course singing and dancing will be permitted. Admission is free, but you **must RSVP your seat** for this screening.



The Prior Eco Action Group is an offshoot of one of the library's Current Affairs Discussion Groups this past spring. On **October 25th** the PEA will be presenting an information session on composting with worms with guest speaker Andrew Wilson.



Also known as The Flying Kiwi, Andrew is an elementary school teacher living in Arnprior. He is concerned about the environment and found a way to engage children and teachers in reducing food waste through the introduction of vermiculture. To date, in his new teaching position in Fitzroy Harbour, he has introduced 4 classes to the fascinating world of worms. Doors open at 6:30 with the presentation beginning at 7pm. Admission is free, but to help with seating, please RSVP your attendance at the library or online.



We've had quite the interest in our new Spanish Conversation Group. The first meeting was held at the end of September. This group will continue to meet at the library on Saturdays at 12:30pm. Our guide for this meet-up is Iris Candelaria.

If you're interested in language learning, check out Mango Languages from the [special services page](#) on our website. If you set up an account using your library card, you can track the lessons you've completed.



Did you know you can also access English as a Second Language courses for FREE through the The Contact North Distance Education & Training Network? (<https://studyonline.ca/program/anytime-esl>)

Keep in mind the library also hosts:

- Saturday French Conversation Group (2pm in the Gaumond Room)
- Monday morning Whatknots Knitting Group (10am in front of the Fireplace)
- Tuesday morning Scrabble Meet-up (10am in the Art Corridor)



NOTICE: New steel roofing will be installed beginning October 9th. Please be aware that several parking spaces will be occupied by trucks and supplies during this renovation work.

Tickets are selling quickly for our annual New Year's Eve Black and White Gala. There's live dance music by The Paperbacks, champagne at midnight, cash bar and catering by Lumbertown Ale House all in the ambiance of the library. Tickets \$60 per person and available now in the library. We take cash, debit or cheque.



See you at the library!