

What's On



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Port Hope Public Library - Over 110 Years of Library Service

April 2025

"It was a bright cold day in April, and the clocks were striking thirteen."

- George Orwell, 1984

Library Hours

Mary J. Benson Branch

Monday - Thursday

10 am - 8 pm

Friday

10 am - 5 pm

Saturday

10 am - 5 pm

Sunday

11 am - 2 pm

The Port Hope

Community Hub Branch

PLEASE NOTE

The Hub Branch
in Canton is closed
for building
renovations.
Tentative
re-opening is
May 5, 2025.



Homeschool Group

Tuesday, April 1, 1 PM @ MJB Branch

If you're a homeschooling family don't miss our monthly events! This month we'll be working on an art project with Piet Mondrian.



Toddlers & Waddlers - Drop In

Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10:30 AM @ MJB Branch

Stories, singing & interactive play designed for children under 6. All children are welcome!



Bibliotherapy with NHH Mental Health

Fridays, April 4 & 11, 11 AM @ MJB Branch

Join us weekly to explore a new theme through literature. We'll discuss topics like resilience, hope, wellness and courage, and connect with others on a shared journey of growth and reflection.



Mandarin Lessons

Saturdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26 10:30 AM @ MJB Branch

Drop in to learn Mandarin with Globe Cambridge High School student Margaret Ma!



Writing Workshop with Ed Greenwood!

Saturday, April 5 11:30 AM - 4 PM @ MJB Branch

Discover the secrets of storytelling from PHPL's own writer, Ed Greenwood! Hone your writing skills and gain valuable insights into the craft. Adults only. Pre-register at registrations@phpl.ca



Scrabble Sundays at MJB!

Sundays, April 6, 13, 27 11:30 - 1 PM @ MJB Branch

Come out to play scrabble and meet up with friends old and new.



Baby Time at MJB!

Mondays, April 7, 14, 28 10:30 AM @ MJB Branch

Drop in for a special baby time program of songs, stories & bubbles for babies ages 1 and under!

Please Note:

The library will be closed on **April 18 for Good Friday & April 20 & 21 for Easter weekend**. Take advantage of our online resources like Libby & Hoopla, and visit www.porthopepubliclibrary.ca for more!

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Events & Programs @ Your Library



Unfinished Stitchery

Monday, April 7, 14, 28 2 - 3:30 PM @ MJB Branch

Bring your unfinished knitting, crocheting, rug hooking or any similar project and work among others for a fun and social gathering.



Drop In Chess Club

Monday, April 7, 14, 28 6 - 8 PM @ MJB Branch

We're hosting a chess club for experienced players. Drop in with a friend or meet an opponent here! For adults and kids 11+.



Lunch and Learn at PHPL!

Tuesday, April 8 (and May 13 & June 10) 11:30 AM @ MJB

Bring your lunch and an appetite for learning to PHPL for Lunch & Learn, in partnership with the Port Hope Chamber of Commerce! This month **Ontario Power Generation** will be here to talk about "Powering Possibilities at Wesleyville". Chamber members and non-members are welcome. Pre-register at www.business.porthopechamber.com/events.



Techno Buddies Afternoons

Tuesdays, April 8, 15, 22, 29 4:15 - 5:15 PM @ MJB Branch

Do you need technical help with your devices? TCS student volunteers are here to help. Drop in with your devices and your questions.



Drop In Family Craft Night at MJB!

Tuesday, April 8 5:30 - 7 PM @ MJB Branch

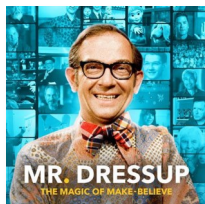
Bring the family to make a fun bunny craft! Drop in. No registration required.



Let's Go Lego! PA Day Drop In

Friday, April 11, 1 - 4 PM @ MJB Branch

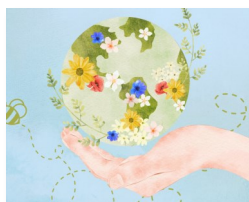
Come join your friends and create something epic with our extensive LEGO collection!



National Canadian Film Day: Mr. Dressup Movie!

Wednesday, April 16 6 PM @ The MJB Branch

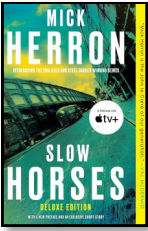
Join us for an evening of make-believe with Mr. Dressup as we celebrate a national one-day celebration of Canadian cinema. This year's theme is Something to Believe In.



Earth Day Eco Craft

Tuesday, April 22 5:30 - 7 PM @ The MJB Branch

Drop in to make a pollinator seed pod to celebrate Earth Day! You'll be able to take it home to plant, and attract bees and butterflies to your yard this summer! Pre-register at registrations@phpl.ca



Library Book Club

Wednesday, April 23 7 PM @ MJB Branch

This month's selection is *Slow Horses* by Mick Herron. "A funny, stylish, satirical, gripping story. . . Memorably seedy characters, sharp dialogue, complex plot. I'm hooked." - The Guardian



Teen Trivia

Thursday, April 24 6:30 PM @ MJB Branch

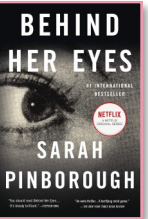
Bring your friends to test your knowledge and compete in Teen Trivia!



Decoupage Crafternoon & Tea

Saturday, April 26 2:30 PM @ MJB Branch

Join local author and artist, Signe Langford for a creative Crafternoon Tea, where we'll make unique oyster shell trinket dishes with decoupage and drawing. All materials are supplied! Light refreshments will be served. Pre-register at registrations@phpl.ca.



Mystery Readers' Book Club

Wednesday, April 30 7 PM @ MJB Branch

This month we're discussing *Behind Her Eyes* by Sarah Pinborough. "You should read *Behind Her Eyes*...It's bloody brilliant." —Stephen King



Upcoming Book Sale at The Hub Branch!

Saturday, May 24 @ Hub Branch

Save the date for our upcoming book sale! Do you have books to donate for the sale? Please call us at 905-885-4712 to arrange your donation, as the Hub is temporarily closed.

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Want to see what we're up to through the month? Follow us on Facebook and Instagram! We post event info and updates, plus fun around-the-library pics!



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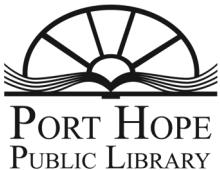
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PHPL Reading Music:
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PHPL Mission Statement

Port Hope Public Library delivers quality, community focused library services with a commitment to equitable and open access to all resources.

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Visit us on the web at
www.porthopepubliclibrary.ca

Artists on View:

Drop into the Mary J. Benson Branch to view the artwork of Port Hope High School students through April.



April

Family

Children

Teen

Adult

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Register for program by email at registrations@phpl.ca

Lunch & Learn
*Register online at PH Chamber of Commerce

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	National Volunteer Week April 21 -27		1 Homeschool Group 2 pm	2 Toddlers & Waddlers 10:30 am	3	4  Bibliotherapy 11 am	5 Mandarin 10:30 am Tell Your Story with Ed Greenwood 11:30 am (R)
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