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What's On

*"I'll read my books
and I'll drink coffee
and I'll listen to music,
and I'll bolt the door."*

*– J.D. Salinger, A Boy in
France*

Port Hope Public Library - Over 110 Years of Library Service

February 2024



Library Lover's Month: Blind Date with a Book

February 1 - 15 @ MJB Branch

Mark Library Lover's Month with a blind date with a book! We've wrapped up some great novels you might not have discovered yet.



PA Day Lego Drop In

Friday, February 2, 10 AM- 4 PM @ MJB Branch

We have lots of Lego! Come meet your friends and build something epic!



Scrabble Sundays at MJB!

Sundays, February 4, 11, 25 11:30 - 1 PM @ MJB Branch

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



Baby Time at MJB!

Mondays, February 5, 12, 26 10:30 AM @ MJB Branch

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



Homeschool Group

Tuesday, February 6, 1 PM @ MJB

This month Officer Tammy Staples from Port Hope Police Services joins us to talk about bullying, and training to be a police officer.



Techno Buddies Afternoons

Tuesdays, February 6, 13, 20, 27, 4 - 5 PM @ MJB Branch

Do you need technical help with your devices? TCS students are here to help. Drop in.



Learning, Laughter & Play - Drop In

Wednesdays, February 7, 14, 21, 28, 10:30 AM @ MJB Branch

In partnership with Early On Northumberland. Stories & interactive play designed for children under 6. All children are welcome!



Meditation & Mental Wellness with NHH Mental Health

Fridays, February 9, 16, 23, 1 PM @ MJB Branch

Join us for guided meditations and short breathing exercises, followed by checking in & discussions. Please arrive on time. Bring a mat or blanket to lay on the ground; chairs will be provided to sit in. No registration.

Please Note:

The library will be closed on February 18 & 19 for the Family Day Weekend. Take advantage of our online resources like Libby & Hoopla, and visit www.porthopepubliclibrary.ca for more!

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

Monday

10 am - 1 pm

Tuesday

4 pm - 7 pm

Wednesday

1 pm - 4 pm

Saturday

10 am - 1 pm

In This Issue

- ◆ Blind Date with a Book!
- ◆ Baby Time
- ◆ Family Craft Night
- ◆ Meditation
- ◆ Techno Buddies
- ◆ Writing Workshop
- ◆ Puzzle Contest!

Events & Programs @ Your Library



Unfinished Stitchery

Monday, February 12, 26 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 Family Craft Night at The Hub!

Tuesday, February 13, 5:30 - 7 PM @ The Hub

Bring the family to The Hub Branch in Canton to make a fun Valentine craft! Drop in. No registration required.



Death Café

Thursday, February 15, 6:30 PM @ MJB Branch

Join Death Doula Stephanie Byfield & Lisa O'Leary for a discussion about death and dying in a special "death café". Death cafes are part of a global movement to bring awareness to our finite lives. Having a safe space to talk about death is important, so bring your coffee or tea and join us.



Writing Workshop with Ed Greenwood!

Saturday, February 17, 11 AM - 4 PM @ MJB Branch

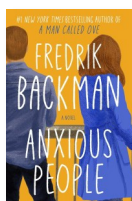
Discover the secrets of story telling from PHPL's own writer, Ed Greenwood! Join us for a chance to hone your writing skills and gain valuable insights into the craft. Adults only. Spaces are limited, pre-register at registrations@phpl.ca



Family Bingo at The Hub!

Tuesday, February 20, 6 PM @ The Hub Branch

Come out for Family Bingo at the Hub Branch in Canton!



Library Book Club

Wednesday, February 21, 7 PM @ MJB Branch

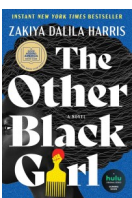
This month's selection is *Anxious People*, by Fredrik Backman. "Wry, wise and often laugh-out-loud funny, it's a wholly original story that delivers pure pleasure." - People



2nd Annual Puzzle Competition!

Saturday, February 24, 1 PM @ The MJB Branch

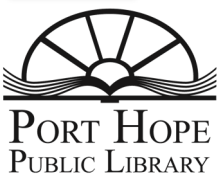
Register at registrations@phpl.ca to compete in our 2nd annual puzzling competition! 8 teams, maximum of 4 players per team. In partnership with Furby House Books & Ravensburger Puzzle.



Mystery Readers' Book Club

Wednesday, February 28, 7 PM @ MJB Branch

Join us to discuss the novel *The Other Black Girl* By Zakiya Dalila Harris "A well-constructed literary thriller with a strong sense of place and deep understanding of human nature." —Kirkus Reviews



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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NEW!

Check out our new monthly readers' display curated by PHPL staff. This month's display is by Ed!

Also, February is Black History Month. Look for our displays and resources.

We're now on Spotify & Tik Tok!



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PHPL Reading Music:
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