

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- New Library Branch
- Free Comic Book Day
- OverDrive Advantage

WELLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY CELEBRATES COLLABORATION WITH DSBN



The Welland Public Library Board is collaborating with the District School Board of Niagara on an initiative that will see the Welland Public Library incorporated into the new, soon-to-be-built Mathews Public School.

This exciting and innovative initiative is the first of its kind in Niagara, and will see the public library and the school library share the same space. During the day, the library will operate as a school library, serving the students at the school. In the evening and on weekends, the library will operate as a branch of the Welland Public Library, offering a full complement of services and resources.

The new school will be built on the current site of Mathews Public School on Southworth Street and is expected to open in September 2013. Construction is planned to begin this summer.

WPL Now Offers Freegal Downloadable Music



We are thrilled to announce that Freegal Music Service is now available at the Welland Public Library. Welland Public Library has joined the Library Ideas' Network that offers access to songs from Sony Music Entertainment Canada's catalog of legendary artists.

The service will allow registered card holders of the Welland Public Library to download three Sony Music tracks in the MP3 format each week at no cost.

BOOK CLUB SETS AVAILABLE FOR LOAN

Did you know that the Welland Public Library has Adult and Juvenile Book Club Sets that you may borrow?

Search keyword or title in the library catalogue: Welland Public Library Book Club Sets, for titles and quantities.

Titles include **Late Nights on Air** from the Adult Set and **Chasing Vermeer** in the Juvenile Set.

Book Club Sets can be borrowed on a valid library card for use by your reading group. Ask at the Information Desk for assistance.

**THE LIBRARY WILL
 BE CLOSED**

**May 21 for Victoria
 Day,**

**June 15 for a Staff
 Development Day**

AND

**July 2 for Canada
 Day**

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CHILDREN'S PAGE

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Advanced registration required for all programs

Bouncing Babies (0-12 months & caregiver)

Mondays, March 26- May 28, 10:00-10:30am

No session April 9, May 21

Busy Bodies (12-23 months & caregiver)

Tuesdays, March 27- May 29, 10:15-10:45am

Tales for Two (24 months & caregiver)

Wednesdays, March 28- May 30, 10:15-10:45am

Storytime (Ages 3-5)

Tuesdays, March 27- May 29, 2:00-2:45pm

THE TEEN ZONE



Anime Club (12+ years)

Saturday, May 19 and June 16, 2:30-4:00pm

Discuss, share and watch some of your favourite anime with new and old friends. Snacks provided. FREE.

Registration required.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

DROP-IN CRAFT TABLE

(No registration required)

Saturday, May 26,

10:00am-Noon



Visit the library and drop-in at our monthly craft table to create a family masterpiece together! Adult supervision required. (\$1.00 donation suggested)

CELEBRATE YOUR MOM!

Saturday, May 12 2:30-3:30pm

Come and create a beautiful craft for your mom, just in time for Mother's Day!

DEAR DAD...

Saturday, June 16 10:30-11:30am

Show your dad how much you love him by making him a special something for Father's Day!

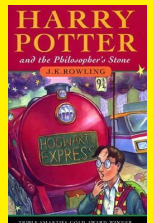


Imagine a world of fantasy and fun at the Welland Public Library this summer by joining the TD Summer Reading Club.

Our TD Summer Reading Club Launch will be held on Tuesday, July 3 from 2:30-3:30pm. Brochures for details about the launch and other fun summer programs for all ages will be available June 8.

HARRY POTTER NOW AVAILABLE IN EBOOK FORMAT

The Library has purchased the complete **Harry Potter Series** (all 7 titles) in eBook format. They are available for download through the OverDrive service at the Ontario Library Service Download Centre.



For questions or assistance, visit the Information Desk.

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY

Saturday, May 5 10:00am-1:00pm



For the past 10 years, the first Saturday of May has been World-Wide Free Comic Book Day. Join us as we take part in this year's celebration. Design your own superhero, decorate a cool mask to hide your identity, or maybe create your own comic strip! When you're all done, you get to pick a **free** comic book to take home! (While quantities last)



ADULT PAGE

COMMUNITY LEGAL EDUCATION SERIES

In partnership with Community Legal Services of Niagara South, Welland Public Library offers a Community Legal Education Series. This biweekly series starts at 6:30pm. Speakers will share their expertise on various topics such as Wills, Power of Attorney and Housing matters. FREE. Registration is required.

Tuesday, May 1	6:30-7:30pm	Power of Attorney and Wills – Part 2
Tuesday, May 15	6:30-7:30pm	Housing matters – Evictions and Leases

FINANCIAL PROGRAMS

Suzanne Hyne, a local financial advisor from World Financial Group, is providing the following free financial programs. Registration required for all programs

1. Marriage and Finance 101

Wednesday, May 16, Noon–1:00pm
(light refreshments provided)

Thursday, May 17, 7:00–8:30pm

When you form a new household, there are some financial issues to be considered. This seminar will cover debt consolidation, savings, investments and other financial topics.

2. Interactive Financial Program

Monday, June 4, Noon–1:00pm
(light refreshments provided)

Wednesday, June 6, 7:00–8:00pm

This program helps you understand your current situation, determine your financial goals and assess the options that could make your dreams come true.

3. 1 on 1 Financial Training

These hour long, customized private sessions help you embrace the challenge to increase your knowledge, skills and confidence with your own financial situation. Call and book your free session.

OverDrive ADVANTAGE

The Welland Public Library now purchases OverDrive eBook titles exclusively for our patrons. To access these eBook titles, log into the "Ontario Library Service Download Centre" with your library card and user PIN. Look for the OverDrive Advantage seal which indicates additional copies have been purchased by the Welland Public Library.

Here is a sample of some titles we have in the collection:

- **The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo** by *Stieg Larsson*
- **The Help** by *Kathryn Stockett*
- **A Game of Thrones** by *George R. R. Martin*
- **Death Comes to Pemberley** by *P. D. James*
- **77 Shadow Street** by *Dean Koontz*
- **Explosive Eighteen** by *Janet Evanovich*
- **The Paris Wife** by *Paula McLain*
- **Color of Heaven** by *Julianne MacLean*
- **The Beach House** by *Sally John*
- **The Pawn** by *Steven James*

More titles will be added in the coming months.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Join one of our book discussion groups today. Newcomers are always welcome!

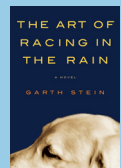
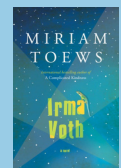
Afternoon Book Club

Wednesday, May 16, 2:30-3:30pm
Irma Voth by *Miriam Toews*

Evening Book Club

Tuesday, May 29, 7:30-8:30pm
The Art of Racing in the Rain by *Garth Stein*

The May book discussions will also make suggestions for the next session of the Book Discussion Group. Bring your suggested titles to these meetings.



THE NIAGARA HEALTH SYSTEM'S SPEAKER'S BUREAU PRESENTS...

The Welland Public Library and Niagara Health System will offer seminars on various health care topics. A healthcare professional will give a presentation in the library's program room. FREE. Registration is Required.

Thursday, May 3, 2:00-3:00pm- "Reducing your risk for chronic conditions"

Wednesday, June 6, 2:00-3:00pm- "Type 2 Diabetes"

For more information or to register for any events, please call 905-734-6210 ext. 2521

Senior’s Advisory Panel Programs

Coffee and Conversation

Tuesday, May 15, 10:30–11:00am

Join a representative from Information Niagara for a discussion of the 211 Service.



Healthy Lifestyle and Eating

Wednesday, May 2, 2:30-3:30pm

Join Diana Esposito, a Nutritionist and Wellness Coach, at the Welland Public Library. She will be conducting a seminar on healthy lifestyles and give you nutrition advice on how to eat well, control your weight and maintain a healthy lifestyle. Please register in advance for this FREE seminar.

FRENCH MOVIE TIME

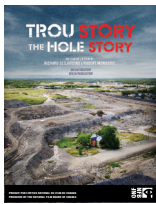
The Welland Public Library and Club Renaissance Welland will offer movies in French on the first and second Monday of each month. Club Renaissance Welland will select a series of movie titles to promote French culture and language. FREE and everyone is welcome.

Monday, May 7 and 14, 1:30pm

Monsieur Lazhar

Monday, June 4 and 11, 1:30pm

Des Hommes et Des Dieux





NFB FILM: THE HOLE STORY

Show time: Tuesday, June 12, 7:00pm

The Welland Public Library is showing a free National Film Board of Canada film in the Civic Square – Community Room. The movie is **The Hole Story**, an in depth look at the mining industry in Canada.

Welland Public Library’s Mission Statement

The Welland Public Library... Enriching the lives of our evolving and dynamic community.

FOLLOW US:  

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday to Thursday	9:00am-9:00pm
Friday	9:00am-6:00pm
Saturday	9:00am-5:00pm

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