News & Programs March/April 2025



books on the bench **AUTHOR SERIES**

EMMA DONOGHUE

Join us for an evening with bestselling author and playwright Emma Donoghue in conversation with Yvonne Van Lankveld as she discusses writing and her brand-new novel, The Paris Express. Books will be available for purchase and signing.



7 - 9 PM **VIENI ESTATES** 4553 FLY ROAD **BEAMSVILLE**

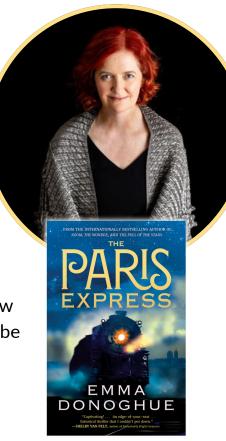
\$45/TICKET

INCLUDES GLASS OF WINE AND \$20 TAX RECEIPT (NON-ALCOHOLIC OPTIONS AVAILABLE) TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE AND AT ALL BRANCHES

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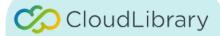












LPPL is adding CloudLibrary this spring! This new platform will provide access to eBooks and audiobooks. Stay tuned for details!

2025 Park Passes Available!

Get outside and explore with 2025 day-use passes to NPCA sites and Ontario Parks. Scan the code below to place a hold.









Early Literacy @ LPPL

All preschool programs are drop in and free.

Babies and Books

0 - 15 months and caregivers

A fun and social time for babies and caregivers with stories, songs, and shakers!

Mondays, April 7 - May 12 | 10:30 am | Fleming Wednesdays, April 23 - May 28 | 12 pm | Fonthill

Story Time

Ages 5 and under and caregivers

Enjoy stories, songs, and fun at the library!

Tuesdays, April 1 - May 20 | 10:30 am | Fleming

Tuesdays, April 1 - May 20 | 10:30 am | Fonthill

Thursdays, April 3 - May 22 | 10:30 am | Rittenhouse

Preschool Social

Ages 5 and under and caregivers

Meet in the children's area with your preschool child for unstructured play activities, where little ones and caregivers can meet and socialize with others.

Wednesdays | 10 - 11:30 am | Fleming

Family Story Time

For all ages

Enjoy stories as a family. Pajamas welcome!

Wednesdays, March 19 & April 16 | 6:30 pm | Fleming



For Kids & Families

Reading Buddies

Recommended for readers in Kindergarten - Grade 2

This literacy program helps new and emerging readers build confidence and improve reading skills. Each child is paired with a teen volunteer for reading activities and literacy-based games.

Mondays, March 3 - 10, March 31 - May 12 | 4 pm | Fleming Free; registration required.

Thursdays, April 24 - May 29 | 4 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required.



Homeschool Hangout

For all ages

Homeschooling families are invited to come learn with STEM activities. For questions in Lincoln, email Leanne: lgood@lppl.ca. For questions in Fonthill, email Jennifer: jbennett@lppl.ca.

Thursday, March 27 | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required. Thursday, April 24 | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; registration required.

PA Day: Craft Cart

Get creative with the craft cart, plus play board games and build with LEGO.

Friday, April 4 | During regular hours | All branches | Free; drop in

Therapy Tails Visit

Read and visit with our four-legged friends from Therapy Tails Ontario.

Tuesday, March 11 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in Friday, April 4 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

Spring Creations

Get ready for spring by painting some spring-inspired wooden shapes courtesy of Pelham handyman Mr. Ryan. While supplies last!

April 9 - 12 | During library hours | Fonthill | Free; drop in

March Break @ LPPL

Wackadoo! Party

Celebrate everyone's favourite Australian blue heeler with drop-in crafts and activities, like Keepy Uppy.

11 am - 12 pm: Interactive meet and greet with the blue puppy (in real life!)

2 - 3 pm: Enter Dance Mode!

Saturday, March 8 | 10 am - 4 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in Monday, March 10 | 10 am - 4 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in



Have a hoot while learning about owls and working together to dissect an owl pellet. Presented by the Owl Foundation. *Note: There will be no live owls*.

For ages 7 - 12

Monday, March 10 | 10:30 - 11:30 am | Fleming | Free; registration required. Thursday, March 13 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required.

Mo Willems Puppet Show

Watch a puppet show featuring stories by Mo Willems, starring Elephant, Piggie, and the Pigeon. Plus, make your own puppet.

Tuesday, March 11 | 10:30 - 11:30 am | Fleming | Free, drop in Tuesday, March 11 | 2 - 3 pm | Meridian Community Centre, Fonthill Free, drop in

Big Blue Blocks

Build and play with giant foam blocks.

Monday, March 10 | 10 am - 1 pm | Rittenhouse | Free, drop in Thursday, March 13 | 1 - 4 pm | Fleming | Free, drop in

March Makers

Join staff from the Brock makerspace to complete laser-cut projects, including Tic-Tac-Toe and a 3-D bee. While supplies last.

Wednesday, March 12 | 2 - 4 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in Friday, March 14 | 2 - 4 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in





Art Attack: Mushroom Madness

Make marvelous art projects all about this fantastic fungi.

Wednesday, March 12 | 11 am - 12 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in Thursday, March 13 | 10:30 - 11:30 am | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in



Harry Potter Escape Room

Race against the clock to see if you can escape the locked classroom at Hogwarts before time runs out!

Free; registration required.

Maple Acre

Tuesday, March 11 | 11:15 am /1 pm/1:45 pm/ 2:30 pm/3:15 pm/4 pm Wednesday, March 12 | 1 pm/1:45 pm/2:30 pm/3:15 pm Thursday, March 14 | 11:15 am/1 pm/1:45 pm /2:30 pm /3:15 pm / 4 pm

Family Paint Night: Birdhouses

As a family, paint a wooden birdhouse for our feathered friends, just in time for spring.

Wednesday, March 12 | 6 - 7 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; registration required.

STEAM Day

Drop in to play with robots and do STEAM activities.

Friday, March 14 | 10:30 am - 12:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in Friday, March 14 | 1 - 4 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

Watch Me Grow!

Bring your family to decorate a one-of-a-kind flower pot. Then, plant a seed and watch it grow!

Friday, March 14 | 1 - 3 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Take Your Child to the Library Day!

Introduce the children in your life to the magic of libraries! Build with Big Blue Blocks, visit the Hot Cocoa Bar, and play I Spy in the Library.

Saturday, March 15 | 10 am - 2 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in



Spectacular Saturdays

Drawing Workshop: Flipbook

For ages 8 - 12

Follow along as local artist Abby Nickerson teaches you how to make a simple animation flip book.

Saturday, March 29 | 1 - 3 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

Art Attack: Circle Roundup

Use new and recycled circle shapes to create a round of art projects.

Saturday, April 5 | 2 - 4 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in Saturday, April 12 | 10:30 am - 12:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in



Books Unboxed: Teen Subscription Box

For readers in Grades 6 - 12

For Teens

Sign up for a seasonal book box (four/year). Each box is filled with personalized reads and goodies. Fill out the online form at lppl.ca under Programs and Events. You will be contacted when your box is ready for pickup

Sign up by April 12 | Available for pickup at all branches | Free; registration required.

Pathstone Mental Health Walk-In Clinic

Get free counselling for children and youth 17 and under and their families. Walk in or by appointment. To book, call 1-800-263-4944.

Tuesdays
11:30 am - 7 pm
Meridian
Community
Centre, Fonthill

Thursdays 11:30 - 7 pm Fleming



Teen Art Drop-In

For ages 12 - 17

Come join us to create art in a variety of forms, including painting, bracelets, and drawing.

Tuesday, March 11 | 1 - 3 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Manga/Anime Drawing Workshop

For ages 12 - 17

Follow along as local artist Abby Nickerson teaches you how to draw anime and manga characters.

Wednesday, March 12 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

Teen Board Game Night

For ages 12 - 17

Exploding Kittens?! One Night Ultimate Werewolf?! Grab a friend or two and drop in to play board games.

Thursday, March 13 | 6 - 7:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in Friday, March 14 | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Knitting and Crochet Drop-In

For ages 12 - 17

Bring your current knitting or crochet project, meet fellow crafters, and share or pick up some new skills.

Monday, April 14 | 4 - 5:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Teen Book Talk Social

For ages 12 - 17

Come enjoy a snack and meet with other teens to hang out and talk about the books you're reading.

Mondays, March 31 & April 28 | 4:30 - 5:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in



For Adults

Feeling SAD: Understanding Seasonal Affective Disorder

Discuss why we feel more depressed in the winter, learn strategies to reduce SAD symptoms, and gain coping skills and resources. Presented in partnership with Welland McMaster Family Health Team.

Monday, March 3 | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required.

Allyship with pflag Niagara

Join Kim from the Niagara chapter of pflag Canada for a fun and interactive discussion about allyship. Bring your questions and learn about how we all can support, educate, and advocate for a more inclusive community.

Monday, March 24 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

Preplanning a Funeral

Tina Moessner, Funeral Director and owner of Pelham Funeral Home, explains the benefits and process of preplanning a funeral to provide peace of mind for yourself and loved ones.

Thursday, April 3 | 1 - 2 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required.

Beer Brewing 101

Griffin Data, owner of Newark Brewing, provides a crash course in brewing craft beer, plus shares tips for brewing your own beer.

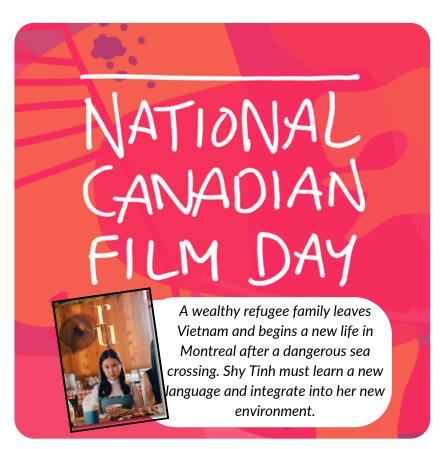
Monday, April 14 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

Silent Book Club

LPPL is hosting the one-year birthday bash for the Silent Book Club of St. Catharines, featuring book trivia, a blind book swap, and more fun surprises. Bring a book of your choice. All are welcome.



Saturday, March 1 | 12 - 2 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; registration required.



Wednesday, April 16 | 6 - 8 pm | Fleming Free; drop in

seed share

Get growing with the LPPL SeedShare seed library!
Borrow up to five envelopes of seeds. Do you have extra seeds? Place them in a labelled envelope and donate at any LPPL branch.

Seeds are available at all LPPL branches while supplies last.



ADOPT A PLANT DAY



Brighten up your space with a new plant to love!

Browse a variety of indoor houseplants. Get matched with one that best suits your personality and lifestyle to take home. (One free plant per household while supplies last.)

LPPL needs donations of healthy houseplants, if you have any leafy friends that need a new home or baby plants to share. Rooted is preferred, but cuttings are welcome. The library is also looking for donations of pots and vases.

Saturday, March 1 | 11 am - 2 pm | Fonthill Plant drop off: February 22 - 28

For Adults

Knit and Chat

Bring your projects and enjoy conversation by the fireplace.

Mondays | 10 am - 12 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Tuesday Morning Crafters

Bring your projects and enjoy conversation and community.

Tuesdays | 10 am - 12 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

TGIF Crafters

Bring your knitting, crocheting, or any portable craft for an afternoon of conversation and fun.

Fridays | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

English Conversation Circle

Join us for a weekly conversation circle to improve your English. You will have the opportunity to practice listening, speaking, vocabulary, and pronunciation. All levels of English are welcome for a fun time to meet other newcomers.

Tuesdays | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Writers Roundtable

Join this monthly meetup with local author Yvonne Van Lankveld and fellow writers to share ideas and discuss writing and editing.

Mondays, March 17 & April 10 | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Fonthill Free; registration required.

Adult Story Time

Celebrate spring with stories and activities! For teens and adults of all ages and abilities.

Mondays, March 17 & April 14 | 1:30 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Create and Chat

Make a spring craft, plus enjoy a social atmosphere. For teens and adults of all ages and abilities.

Mondays, March 31 & April 28 | 1:30 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in







A Hand Along the Way

A monthly grief support group. In partnership with Rose Cottage Visiting Volunteers. To register, contact RCVV at 289-566-9588 or info.rcvv@gmail.com.

Tuesdays, March 4 & April 8 | 10 am - 12 pm | Rittenhouse Free; registration required.

Connect & Care Memory Cafe

Find peer support and participate in activities for care partners and loved ones living with dementia.

Thursdays, March 6 & April 10 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in Thursdays, March 27 & April 24 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Introduction to Computers

This six-week class for beginners introduces the basic concepts of using a computer with Windows 11, including mouse movements, online safety, and email basics. In partnership with Niagara West Adult Learning Centre and the Town of Lincoln. Register by calling 905-563-1515.

Tuesdays, March 18 - April 22 | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Fonthill Free; registration required.

Wednesdays, March 19 - April 23 | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Lincoln Centre Free, registration required.

How To: Using Instagram

Sign up and learn how to use Instagram and its features. Participants must have a working email address.

Monday, March 3 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

How To: Using Pinterest

Sign up and learn how to use Pinterest and its features. Participants must have a working email address.

Monday, April 7 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

Locations & Hours

Fleming Branch

5020 Serena Dr, Beamsville 905-563-7014

Mon - Thurs: 10 am - 8 pm Fri: 1 - 5 pm | Sat: 10 am - 5 pm

Maple Acre Branch

781 Canboro Rd, Fenwick 905-892-5226 Tues, Thurs, Fri: 11 am - 6 pm

Wed: 1 - 8 pm | Sat: 12 - 4 pm

Fonthill Branch

43 Pelham Town Sq, Fonthill 905-892-6443

Mon, Tues, Thurs: 10 am - 8 pm

Wed, Fri: 10 am - 5 pm | Sat: 10 am - 2 pm

Rittenhouse Branch

4080 John Charles Blvd, Vineland

905-562-5711

Mon - Thurs: 10 am - 8 pm

Fri: 1 - 5 pm | Sat: 10 am - 5 pm

All branches will be closed: April 18 and 21

Please note:

- Program fees are non-refundable unless a program is cancelled or rescheduled by Lincoln Pelham Public Library.
- If fees ever present a barrier to participation, or should you require assistance or accommodations related to you or your child's ability to attend a program, please contact Susan by phone: 905-562-5711 or email: programmers@lppl.ca.
- Children 10 years of age or under attending Library programs or events must have a caregiver present in the Library. Where Library programs or events are held outside of the Library building, the caregiver must remain within visual range of children.

Land Acknowledgment

We acknowledge these are the traditional lands and territories of the Hatiwendaronk, Haudenosaunee, and Anishinaabeg, including the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties (No. 3) and by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement.

Lincoln Pelham Public Library recognizes the contributions and stewardship of all Indigenous Peoples, including First Nations, Métis, and Inuit. We are committed to celebrating and sharing stories from Indigenous communities and creating space for education and dialogue as we collectively acknowledge hard truths and work toward reconciliation.



