

MAY/JUNE 2026

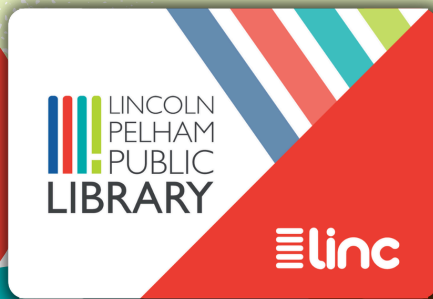
NEWS & PROGRAMS

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Find thousands of eBooks, audiobooks, newspapers, magazines and more in the Digital Library.

Try new things and new experiences with non-traditional items in the Library of Things.

Library cards are free! Visit your local branch, the Bookmobile, or sign up online.



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Get Moving!
Join LPPL's new Walking Club! Walks are a fantastic way to experience the physical and mental benefits of the outdoors. Join staff and volunteers for a weekly walk in central Beamsville. All walks will begin at the Fleming Centre and follow local paved trails.

**Thursdays,
May 7 - June 11
10 - 11:30 am
Fleming
Free; registration required.**

books on the bench
AUTHOR SERIES

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For Preschoolers

All preschool programs are drop in and free.

Babies and Books

0 - 15 months and caregivers

A fun and social time with stories, songs, and shakers!

Mondays, Apr. 13 - May 25 (skip May 18) | 10:30 am | Fleming

Wednesdays, Apr. 8 - May 13 | 12 pm | Fonthill

Story Time

Ages 5 and under and caregivers

Enjoy stories, songs, and fun at the library!

Tuesdays, Apr. 14 - May 19 | 10:30 am | Fleming

Tuesdays, Apr. 14 - May 19 | 10:30 am | Fonthill

Thursdays, Apr. 16 - May 21 | 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

For Families

Family Story Time: Bugs and Blossoms

For families with kids of all ages

Dig into spring with stories for the whole family.

Thursday, May 14 | 6:30 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

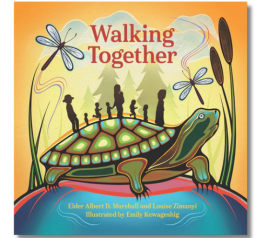
Family Story Time: Splash into Summer

For families with kids of all ages

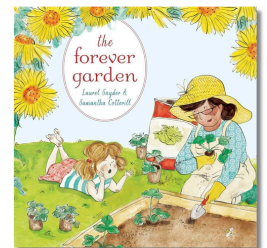
Get ready for fun in the sun with summery stories.

Thursday, June 11 | 6:30 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

STORYWALKS® IN THE PARK



Read the book
Walking Together at
Hilary Bald Park
4485 Garden Gate
Terrace, Beamsville



Read the book
The Forever Garden
at **Woodstream Park**
87 Spruceside
Crescent, Fonthill



Literacy and Learning Challenges

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Raise a reader! 1000 Books Before Kindergarten is an early literacy program designed for parents and caregivers to complete with their little ones. At every 250 book milestone, participants receive a small prize. Pick up a tracking sheet at any LPPL branch or print it from the website.

Littlest Learners Club (online)

Join the Littlest Learners Club (ages 5 and under) to help your child build strong reading and language skills. Complete fun activities based on five early literacy practices—talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing—and earn entries for prize draws along the way. Join on Beanstack anytime.

Early literacy initiatives at LPPL are based on the Every Child Ready to Read framework, which encourages five practices parents and caregivers can use to support early literacy skills: TALK, SING, READ, WRITE, PLAY.

LPPL Reading Challenge: Junior Edition

Take part in the 2026 LPPL Reading Challenge! Intended for readers ages 6 - 12, each month read one book from each category. Pick up a tracking sheet at the library or participate on Beanstack. Return your completed sheet at the end of the year for a chance to win a prize! Join anytime during the year.



MAY

A book with flowers on the cover

JUNE

A book about a father or grandfather



Bright Minds Club (online)

Be part of the online Bright Minds Club (ages 6 - 12) – where curiosity sparks learning! Every two months, explore new challenges about the library and the world around you, earn badges, and enter prize draws. Join on Beanstack anytime.



Scan to go to
Beanstack!



May/June prize: Playtopia gift card

For School-Age Kids

Homeschool Hangout

Homeschooling families are invited to come learn and connect at the library.

Thursday, May 21 | 1 - 3 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Thursday, May 21 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

Literacy Lab (formerly Reading Buddies)

Recommended for readers in Kindergarten - Grade 2

Children will visit stations featuring games, simple reading with teen volunteers, and hands-on activities to build reading skills in a fun, supportive setting.

Tuesdays, Apr. 7 - May 12 | 4 - 5 pm | Maple Acre | Free; registration required.

Mondays, Apr. 13 - May 11 | 4 - 5 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

Therapy Tails Visit

Read and visit with the dogs from Therapy Tails Ontario.

Saturdays, May 2 & June 6 | 10:30 - 11:30 am | Fleming | Free; drop in

Friday, May 8 | 3 - 4 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

Friday, June 5 | 1:30 - 2:30 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

Spectacular Saturdays

Art Attack: Perfect Pet Portraits

Use egg cartons, paper plates, and squeegees to make a picture of your pet(s).

Saturday, May 9 | 10 am - 12 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Saturday, May 23 | 10:30 am - 12:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Tech Toys Drop-In

Draw a path for the Ozobots and zoom Spheros around the room!

Saturday, May 30 | 10 am - 12 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Local Author Story Time: *Sparkle Bright* (with Lumi & Brio)

Drop in to listen to a gentle story that encourages kids to explore confidence, kindness, and the power of trusting their inner voice.

Saturday, May 30 | 10:30 - 11 am | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

Dive in!



Splash into fun all summer long at the library!

Summer Kickoff Parties

Dive straight into summer at one of four fantastic Summer Reading Kickoff Parties. Save the dates—more information coming soon.

Friday, June 26

Meridian Community Centre, Fonthill

Saturday, June 27

Fleming Centre, Beamsville

Rittenhouse | Maple Acre



TD Summer Reading Club

TD Summer Reading Club (TD SRC) is Canada's biggest, bilingual summer reading program for kids of all ages, interests, and abilities. Plus, it's FREE!

Register for TD SRC at the kickoff parties in June or at any branch starting June 29. More details to come.



**Ocean
Week
Canada**

Ocean Week Canada (June 1 - 8) is an annual celebration of the ocean—from coast to coast to coast.

PA Day Fun:

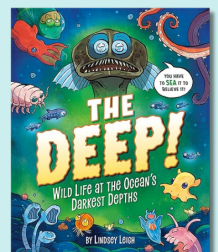
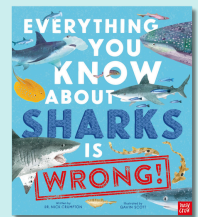
Drop in for themed activities that celebrate Ocean Week Canada.

Friday, June 5

All branches

During library hours

Free; drop in



For Tweens & Teens

Tween Drop-In: Bingo Scavenger Hunt

For ages 10 - 12

Gather your friends and hunt through the library for clues to win a prize. Led by the Teen Advisory Group (TAG). Snacks provided.

Monday, May 4 | 4 - 5 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Teen Knitting & Crochet

For ages 12 - 17

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

Monday, May 11 | 4 - 5:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Teen Hangout Night

For ages 12 - 17

Hang out, study, read, or work on a group puzzle, led by teen volunteers. Snacks provided.

Wednesdays, May 20 & June 10 | 4 - 5:30 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Teen Drop-In: Game Night

For ages 12 - 17

Hang out, play fun games, and destress before exams. Snacks provided.

Monday, June 1 | 4 - 5:30 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in

Take & Make: Friendship Bracelet Kit

For ages 12 - 17

Celebrate Pride Month by making a classic striped friendship bracelet using embroidery thread. Wear it yourself or give it to a friend.

**Register by: June 1 | Kit pick up: starting June 8 | Available at all branches
Free; registration required.**

Tween & Teen Reading Challenges

75 Books Before High School

Think you read a lot? Prove it! We challenge you to read 75 books before you start high school. Milestone prizes will be awarded for every 25 books you read. Register online using Beanstack.



Scan to go to
Beanstack!

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. Find more info at PathstoneMentalHealth.ca/Walk-In-Clinics.

Tuesdays | 10 am - 6 pm | Fleming

Wednesdays | 8 am - 4 pm | Meridian Community Centre, Fonthill

Thursdays | 10 am - 6 pm | Meridian Community Centre, Fonthill

VOLUNTEER AT THE LIBRARY!

Do you need community service hours or do you just love the library? Help out this summer as a volunteer! We welcome teens ages 14 - 17 (or entering high school this September) to help prepare for and assist with running children's programs and other projects. Training is provided. Questions? Email Beth: bhead@lpl.ca.

*Fill out a
volunteer form!*



Tech and Makerspace

Tech Time

Book a free 30-minute appointment to get basic tech help on your device.
Book by calling the library or online.

Tuesdays | 4 - 6 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

Wednesdays | 10 am - 12 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; registration required.

Fridays | 10 am - 12 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required.

3D Printer

Book a free one-hour appointment to learn how to use the 3D printer.
Book by calling the library or online.

Tuesdays | 6 - 8 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

Fridays | 2 - 5 pm | Fonthill | Free; registration required.

Memory Lab

Book a free one-hour appointment to learn how to preserve, convert, and digitize photos and videos. Please note users must supply their own storage device. Book by calling the library or online.

Wednesdays | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; registration required.

Select Saturdays | 2 - 5 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; registration required.

Introduction to Computers

This 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. Register by calling 905-563-1515.

Wednesdays, May 13 - June 17 | 1 - 3 pm

Niagara West Adult Learning Centre | Free, registration required.

Discover the Digital Library

Your PIN/password is the last four digits of your phone number.



Libby.

Borrow eBooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines.



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Get unlimited daily access to more than 7,000 newspapers and magazines, plus crosswords, sudoku, and other puzzles.



CloudLibrary

Borrow eBooks and audiobooks, with shorter wait times.



kanopy

Films that matter

Stream TV shows and movies, plus get unlimited views on children's content.



**CBC
Corner**

Browse Canadian content, including news, radio, and TV shows, in English and French.



Find more to borrow in the Library of Things!

- Chromebooks and WiFi hotspots
- Nintendo Switch games
- Roku sticks with Apple TV and Crave (coming in June)
- DVD players
- sensory support backpacks
- LEGO kits
- carbon monoxide detectors
- telescope
- fishing poles and life jackets
- snowshoes
- nature backpacks
- keyboard, ukuleles, and guitars
- Passes for NPCA, Ontario Parks, and the ROM

Please note late fees apply for non-traditional items.

Local Author Visits

Michelle Willms, *Northern Girls*

Michelle Willms joins us in conversation about her brand-new book *Northern Girls*, recently named one of CBC's top 50 nonfiction titles for spring. Brave, engaging and electric, *Northern Girls* is a collection of true stories about the fractured legacy of growing up in rural northern Ontario.



Wednesday, May 6 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Rittenhouse
Free; registration recommended.

Steve McLellan, *In Spirits Shadow*

Steve McLellan joins Yvonne Van Lankveld for a candid discussion about *In Spirits Shadow*—the first book of a new suspense trilogy—in which famous people from history are snatched by a watchful and benevolent species at the time of their deaths and tasked with protecting the Earth from peril.



Thursday, May 28 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fonthill
Free; registration recommended.

Marc MacDonald, *Some Sunny Day*

Marc MacDonald joins us to share his latest novel, *Some Sunny Day*, the sequel to his debut *Between Two Seasons*. In this new story, MacDonald takes a deeper dive into reader-favourite Mae Seasons, the plucky, foul-mouthed senior whose hard-earned wisdom is matched only by her knack for delivering sharp-tongued insults to anyone who crosses her.



Monday, June 8 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fonthill
Free; registration recommended.

Books will be available for purchase from all authors.

Try Something New

Discover new hobbies and meet new friends!

Making the Most of Your Garden

Urban homesteader Ryan Heffron from My Niagara Garden will share how to grow more food in less space using organic and sustainable methods. Ryan will also talk about strategies for vertical growing and simple automation to maximize yields of healthy, nutrient-dense vegetables in a backyard garden.

Monday, May 4 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm
Fleming | Free; registration required.

Learn to Play Chess

Join chess enthusiast David Kelly MBA to learn the basics of the game, including how to set the board, how the different pieces move, and simple strategies for playing. All supplies provided. Recommended for ages 10 and up.

Saturday, May 9 | 10:30 am - 12:30 pm | Fleming | Free; registration required.

How to Tie Fish Flies

Join volunteers from the Niagara Fly Tiers for a fly-tying demonstration and learn the basics of making simple flies for fly fishing. No experience is necessary. Recommended for ages 10 and up.

Saturday, May 16 | 10 am - 12 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 to share with others!





National Indigenous History Month

Moccasin Identifier

Stencil a moccasin and learn about the first peoples to live in this area. The Moccasin Identifier was developed by Carolyn King in partnership with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and The Greenbelt Foundation, to promote public awareness of significant cultural historic sites and the ancestral presence of First Nations, Metis, and Indigenous communities.

Thursday, June 18 | 5 - 8 pm | Pelham Farmers Market | Free; drop in

Borrow an Experience!

Scan to learn more and place a hold!



Each pass includes single-vehicle day-use access to Ball's Falls, Binbrook, Chippawa Creek, and Long Beach.



ONTARIO PARKS

Each pass includes single-vehicle day-use access to more than 100 provincial parks.



ROM

Each pass includes general admission for up to four guests. *Please note blackout dates may apply.*



Telescope



GoPro kit



Fishing Kits & Life Jackets

Find more to borrow in the Library of Things!



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 for newcomers and English language learners. Everyone will have the opportunity to practice listening, speaking, vocabulary, and pronunciation in a relaxed environment. All levels of English are welcome.

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

Writers Roundtable: Beamsville

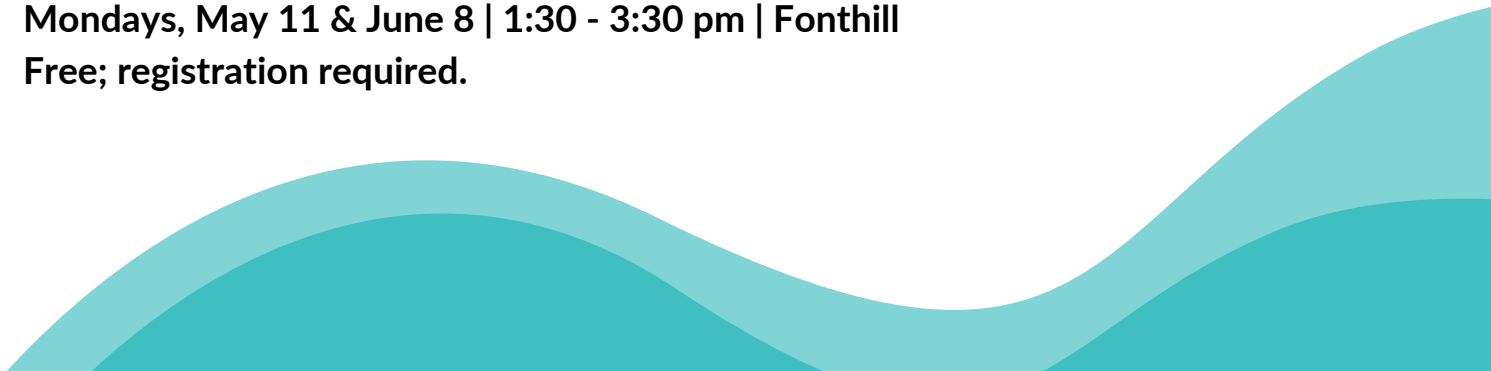
Join this monthly meetup with local author Jolie Phuong Hoang and fellow writers to share ideas and discuss writing and editing.

**Mondays, May 11 & June 15 | 6:30 - 7:30 pm | Fleming
Free; registration required.**

Writers Roundtable: Fonthill

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

**Mondays, May 11 & June 8 | 1:30 - 3:30 pm | Fonthill
Free; registration required.**



Adult Story Time

Listen to stories, poems, and more during this fun-filled hour for teens and adults of all abilities.

Mondays, May 11 & June 8 | 10 - 11 am | Fleming | Free; drop in

Create and Chat

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

Mondays, May 25 & June 22 | 1 - 2 pm | Fleming | Free; drop in

Kindness Circle

Learn simple tips to stay calm and grounded, for anyone who may feel anxious, alone, or simply in need of direction. Facilitated by BB Elizabeth Carver, Kindfulness Coaching & Wellness.

Saturdays, May 2 & June 6 | 11 am - 12 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

A Hand Along the Way

Find space, support, and resources for those experiencing grief and loss in this monthly bereavement group, facilitated by Rose Cottage Visiting Volunteers. To register, contact RCVV at 289-566-9588 or info.rcvv@gmail.com.

**Tuesdays, May 5 & June 9 | 10 am - 12 pm | Rittenhouse
Free; registration required.**

VISITING LIBRARY SERVICE

The Visiting Library Service (VLS) brings library materials to community members who are unable to visit the library due to age, disability, or illness. This free monthly service is available to residents of Lincoln and Pelham. Contact your local branch for more information.



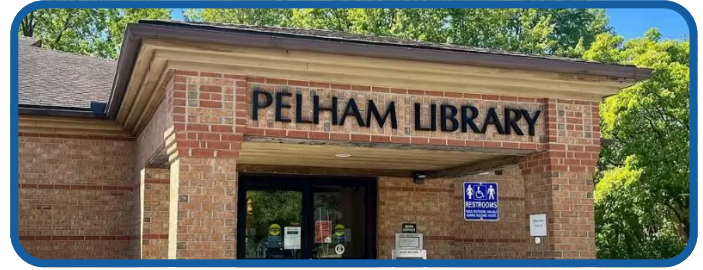
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sign up!*



*Scan to
volunteer to
deliver materials
in Pelham!*



THE NEXT CHAPTER FONTHILL BRANCH



An exciting \$4 million, two-phase renovation improving accessibility and modernizing the Fonthill Branch is getting underway this year!

Phase One (\$1.5 million): Fully funded by the Town of Pelham, Phase One includes a new accessible entrance with sliding doors, new washrooms, including the addition of a universal washroom, as well as a refurbished and expanded program room.

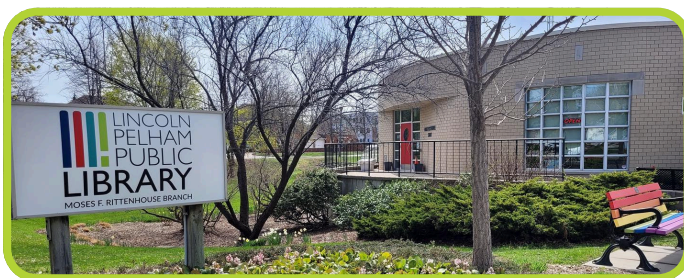
Phase Two (\$2.5 million): The second phase includes the installation of an elevator to open access to the basement and add 3,000 square feet of public space on the main floor. Fundraising for Phase Two is underway. Thanks to early donations, only \$1.5 million remains to be raised to complete Phase Two.

Join us for monthly chapter chats to hear the latest updates and learn how you can support this project. Refreshments provided.

Thursday, May 28 | 11 am - 12 pm | Fonthill | Free; drop in



Learn more and support the project here!



THE NEXT CHAPTER VINELAND BRANCH

A \$5 million expansion is coming to Vineland. The upcoming project will double the size of the branch, adding 6,000 square feet. Enhancements include new meeting rooms, an Indigenous reflection space, and the relocation of the Friends of Lincoln's History Archives. Green upgrades, including a new roof, will ensure long-term sustainability and make this Lincoln's first Net-Zero building.

Join us for monthly chapter chats to hear the latest updates and learn how you can support this project. Refreshments provided.

Tuesday, May 12 | 2 - 3 pm | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in

Wednesday, June 10 | 10:30 - 11:30 am | Rittenhouse | Free; drop in



Learn more and support the project here!

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 Monday, May 18 for Victoria Day.

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

Lincoln Pelham Public Library is on 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.



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