

Sylvan Lake Municipal Library

Learn | Play | Read | Create | Grow | Experience



September - December 2024

Programs and Activities



Don't Miss a Moment

Hours of Operation

Sunday:	1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Monday:	1:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thursday:	9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday:	10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday:	10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Website:	www.sylvanlibrary.prl.ab.ca
Newsletter:	https://prl.ab.ca/sylvanlake/about-us/newsletter

Holidays and Closures

September 2	Closed for Labour Day
October 14	Closed for Thanksgiving
November 11	Closed for Remembrance Day
December 24	Closed at 2:00 p.m.
December 25	Closed for Christmas Day
December 26	Closed for Boxing Day
December 31	Closed at 2:00 p.m.

Program Breaks

August 25 - September 9 | October 20 - November 3 | December 22 - January 6

All of our weekly preschool and afterschool programs will pause during program breaks. Monthly programs and special events will continue as usual during these breaks.

To be notified about unexpected program cancellations, sign up for our mailing list and select to receive "announcements".

Our weekly preschool and afterschool programs kick off this September.
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Preschool Programs

Infant Meet Up | Ages 0-2

Thursdays | 3:00-3:30 p.m.

Drop In, Starts September 12

No program October 3 & November 21

Stories, rhymes, songs, and sensory play for young families.

Preschool Story Time | Ages 2-5

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays

10:15-11:00 a.m.

Drop In, Starts September 10

No program November 19-21

Stories and music, followed by a sensory activity or craft.

Live Stories with Miss Corrie

Fridays | 9:15-9:45 a.m.

Virtual via Facebook Live

No program November 22

Stories, songs, and a simple craft or sensory activity via Facebook Live. View past story times on our Facebook.

Story Time in the Wild | Ages 2-5

Fridays | 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Drop In | No program November 22

Story walks, nature play, and crafts outdoors, rain or shine.

Watch website for weekly locations.

Mess is Best | Ages 2-5

Every Other Saturday | 10:15-11:15 a.m.

Drop In | No program November 16

Sensory activities and messy play stations.

Pajama Story Time | Ages 2-5

Thursdays: September 19, October 10, and December 19

6:15-7:15 p.m.

Drop In

Dress in your PJs and bring a stuffie to the Library for a bedtime story time.

Donuts with Grown-ups | Ages 2-5

Saturdays: September 21, October 5, November 9, and December 21

10:15-11:00 a.m.

Drop In

Children are invited to bring a special person in their life for a story time at the Library. This program is sponsored in part by Mountain House Bakery.

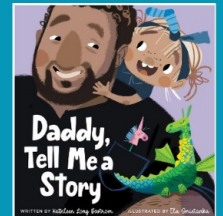
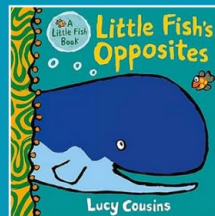
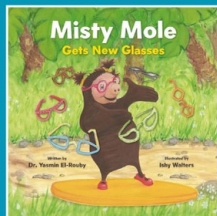
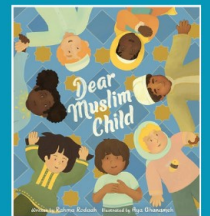
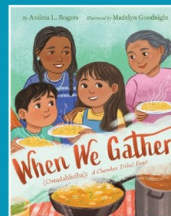
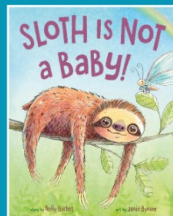
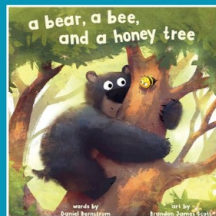
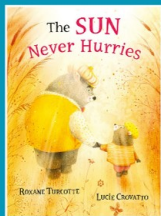
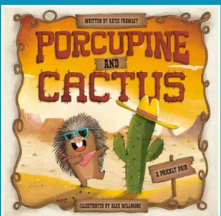
Halloween Story Time

Thursday, October 31 | 10:15-11:00 a.m.

Drop In

Join us at the Library for a special Halloween-themed story time with crafts and snacks. Costumes encouraged.

Check out these new books!



School Age Programs

Anime Club | Ages 8+

Wednesdays | 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Drop In | No program November 20

Celebrate your love of anime and manga with the Library, while making new friends.

S.T.E.M. Explorers | Ages 6-12

Thursdays | 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Drop In | No program November 21

Explore the world of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math at the Library with fun projects and challenges.

Family Art Attack | Ages 6+

One Saturday a Month | 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Registration Required

September 21: Cork Coasters

October 19: Pastel Haunted Houses

November 23: Book Wreaths

December 21: Wire Ornaments

Create unique art with friends old and new. Try different art styles and mediums, and take home what you create.

Junior Book Club

Select Mondays | 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Registration Required

Discover new books and read along with your peers while engaging in crafts and activities at the Library. Sign up early for a copy of the book to keep!

September/October read: Brackenbeast by Kate Alice Marshall | Recommended for Ages 8-12

Loot Kit Pick-Up: September 6

November/December read: The Ambrose Deception by Emily Ecton | Recommended for Ages 11-13

Loot Kit Pick-Up: October 25

Video Game Tournaments | Ages 8-18

Select Tuesdays | 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Drop In

Compete in multi-week video game tournaments at the Library for the chance to win a prize!

October 22 and 29: Minecraft

December 10 and 17: Super Smash Bros.

Red Hot Science | Ages 10-14

Need for Speed: Friday, October 25

10:30-11:30 a.m. | Registration Required

Participants will race their favourite Hot Wheels car against each other (or select one from RDP's stable of cars) and learn how to calculate how fast their cars can go.

Cybernetic Hot Hands: Friday, October 25

1:00-2:00 p.m. | Registration Required

Who is quickest to the draw? Utilizing a micro:bit processor board, participants will use block code programming to see who has the faster response time on a touch-sensitive pad.

Building Bonds | Ages 6+

Saturday, November 2 | 1:00-3:30 p.m.

Registration Required

Kids are invited to build a wooden toy at the Library with their dad, uncle, brother, grandpa, or just a favourite person in their life.

Check our website to choose your project.

School's Out at the Library

September 20: Gaming on the Nintendo Switch

October 25: Red Hot Science Activities

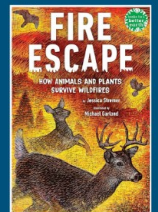
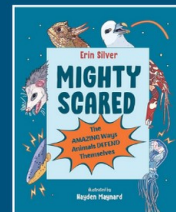
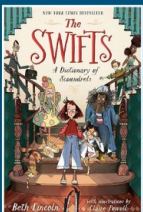
November 8: *Iron Man (2008, Rated G)*

November 29: Gaming on the PS5

12:30-2:30 p.m. | Drop In

When both school districts have shared PD Days, drop in at the Library for gaming, science activities, and special movie screenings.

Check out these new books!



Teen Programs

Prism Club | Ages 13+

First Tuesday of the month | 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Drop In

Movie nights, art projects, and book chats for LGBTQ2S+ youth and allies. Refreshment provided.

September 3: Join us to discuss *Heartstopper* by Alice Oseman.

Future projects to be selected by participants.

Paint with Melissa Hall: Teen Edition

Saturday, October 26 | 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 9 | 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Registration Required

Paint along with local artist Melissa Hall and take home your own unique piece of art.

All materials provided. This event is free, courtesy of a Walmart Programming Grant.

Teen "Weird Barbie" Night

Tuesday, October 8 | 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Drop In

Join us at the Library for a special screening of *Barbie* (2023, Rated PG). Bring a doll to make your own "Weird Barbie" while we watch.

Refreshments provided.



Teen Pottery Night @ Next of Kiln

Wednesday, October 23 | 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Registration Required

Join us at Next of Kiln for an evening of painting and pottery fun. Pieces will be fired at the Kiln, and can be picked up at a later date.

All materials provided. This event is free, courtesy of a Walmart Programming Grant.

Teen Murder Mystery Night: Last Stop Murder

Friday, October 25 | 6:00-9:00 p.m.

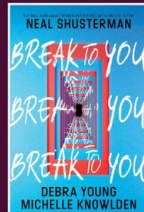
Registration Required

You are cordially invited to be a passenger on the Orient Express. Join us at the Library for a luxurious train ride replete with appetizers and drinks ... and a side of murder! Can you figure out who dunnit?

Costumes encouraged!



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Adult Programs

Pub Trivia Night

First Wednesday of the Month | 6:30 p.m.

September 4: The Viewpoint Lounge

October 2: Snake Lake Brewing Co.

November 6: Bukz

December 4: Mr. Mikes Steakhouse

Do you have what it takes to be a trivia champion? Join us for an evening of pub trivia fun with friends and family. Build your team (max 6 players) then meet us at the venue of the month.

Art Attack | Ages 16+

First Thursday of the Month | 6:15-7:15 p.m.

or Third Friday of the Month

3:00-4:00 p.m. | Registration Required

September: Cork Coasters

October: Pastel Haunted Houses

November: Book Wreaths

December: Wire Ornaments

Create unique art with friends old and new. Try different art styles and mediums, and take home what you create.

Knit-Wits

Thursdays | 5:45-7:30 p.m.

Drop In | No program November 21

Create beautiful handmade projects while meeting new friends. Bring your own supplies or use ours. Want to help lead a project? Ask us about our volunteer opportunities!

Stained Glass Workshops | Ages 16+

Select Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the Fall | 5:00-7:30 p.m.

Registration Required | Prices Vary by Piece

Create your own unique stained glass art at the Library with Gem Glassworks.

For full information about projects and prices, including more upcoming sessions, please visit our website.

Book Discussion: Lula Dean's Little Library of Banned Books

Tuesday, September 24 | 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Drop In | Refreshments Provided

Join us for a community conversation about censorship, book banning, and the importance of freedom to read. Author Kirsten Miller will join the conversation via zoom.

Extra copies of the book available at the Library.

Film Society

Last Monday of the Month at Landmark Cinemas | 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Tickets \$10.00 + GST

September 30: *Fancy Dance*

October 28: *Wicked Little Letters*

Join us at the local theatre to watch the Independent Film of the month. Tickets are available for presale at the Library, or at the door the night of. Cash sales only at the theatre.

Mandala Dot Art Workshops

Friday, October 4: 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 15: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Monday, November 25: 1:30-4:00 p.m. OR 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Registration Required | \$35.00

Learn how to create a Mandala Mosaic on a pre-cast tile and stone, with local artist Dalmane Art Shepherd. Participants will also receive a take-home supply kit with paints, tools, pattern, ruler, round stone, practice tile, and rag.

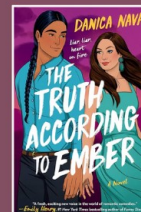
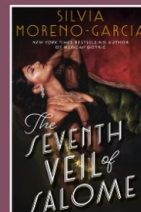
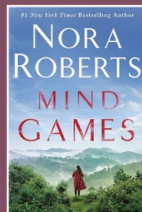
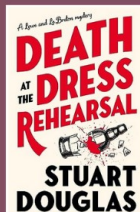
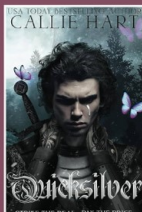
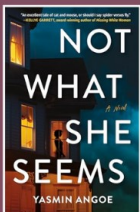
Scrapbooking for Beginners

Friday, November 1 | 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Registration Required

Bring your own album and photos and create your own unique scrapbook at the Library. Scrapbooking materials provided.

Check out these new books!



Special Events & Community Guests

Welcome to Hogwarts | Ages 6-100+

Friday, September 6 | 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Registration Required

Kick off the Hogwarts Reading Club in style with food, drinks, activities, and an evening of magical nostalgia.

Pottery Night @ Next of Kiln Ages 16+

Friday, November 1 | 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Registration Required | Prices Vary By Piece

Join us at Next of Kiln for an evening of painting and pottery fun. Pieces will be fired at the Kiln, and can be picked up at a later date.

All materials provided. The Library will cover half of the cost of each participant's piece, courtesy of a Walmart Programming Grant.

Holiday Cookie Decorating

Saturday, December 7 | 1:00-3:30 p.m.

Registration Required | Refreshments Provided

Decorate cookies together with friends and family at the Library.

Family Movie Night: The Muppet Christmas Carol

Monday, December 23 | 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Drop In

Join friends and family at the Library for a special screening of *The Muppet Christmas Carol* (1992, Rated G). Refreshments provided.

Let's Talk: ESL with the Henday Association

Tuesdays | 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Drop In | No meeting November 19

Improve your English conversational skills while getting to know your neighbours. For more information, call the Henday Association for Lifelong Learning at 403-227-2866.

Career Leap Resume Review

Wednesdays: September 18, October 23, November 13, and December 11

12:30-2:30 p.m. | Drop In

Bring your resume to the Library for review by the Red Deer Career Leap Team. First come, first-served. For more information, contact Career Leap at 403-342-2166.

Free Legal Clinic with JD Law

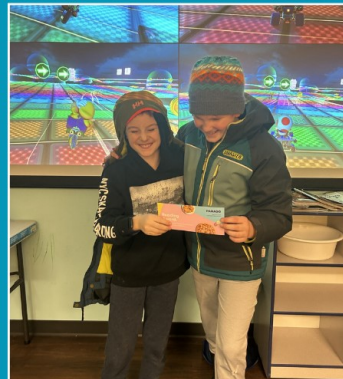
Thursday, September 26 | 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Drop In

Information and Q&A session with JD Law Family Law Department, covering topics including collaborative family law, divorce, property issues, separation agreement, parenting & guardianship, wills & estates, and more. For more information, contact JD Law (Family Law Dept.) at 403-358-1159.



Henday Association for Lifelong Learning
Discover Lifelong Learning



Book Clubs and Reading Challenges

Mystery Book Club

Second Monday of the Month | 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Drop In | Sylvan Lake Municipal Library
4715 50th Avenue

September 9: *Verity* by Colleen Hoover

October: No Meeting - Happy Thanksgiving!

November 12 (Tuesday this month): *Dark Places* by Gillian Flynn

December 9: *The Housemaid* by Freida McFadden
Read the mystery book of the month, then join us at the Library for a discussion.

New Romantics Book Club

Second Wednesday of the Month | 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Drop In | Sweet Home on the Lake
5000 Lakeshore Drive

September 11: *The Deal* by Elle Kennedy

October 9: *Legends and Lattes* by Travis Baldree

November 13: *Chasing Fire* by Nora Roberts

December 11: *The Christmas Wedding Guest* by Susan Mallery

Read the romance book of the month, then join us at Sweet Home on the Lake for a discussion.

Bring Your Own Book Club

Third Wednesday of the Month | 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Drop In | Lakeshore Café
#130 - 5003 Lakeshore Drive

Read ANY book, then join us at Lakeshore Café to share your thoughts. View previous recommended reads on our website.

Book-to-Movie Club

Last Wednesday of the Month | 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Drop In | Lakeshore Café
#130 - 5003 Lakeshore Drive

September 25: *Brooklyn* by Colm Tóibín

October 30: *Schindler's List* by Thomas Keneally

November 27: *Harry Potter* - the series by J.K. Rowling

December : No Meeting - Happy Holidays!

Watch the movie of the month and/or read the book it was based on, then join us at Lakeshore Café for a discussion.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Ongoing At-Home Program

Track your child's reading from the ages of 0-5 (or until the end of Kindergarten). For every sheet they complete, they get to choose a prize. Once they've reached 1000 books, your child will receive a grand prize which includes a certificate of completion, books, toys, and a gift certificate for a free library card.

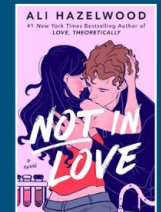
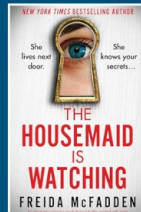
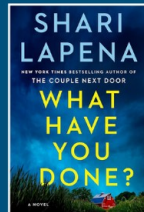
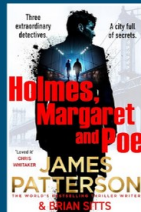
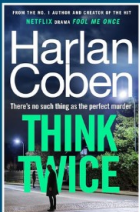
Introduce your child to books when they're young, and help foster a love of literacy!

Hogwarts Reading Club

September 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

Track your reading and earn points for your House! Sort yourself into your House: Gryffindor, Hufflepuff, Ravenclaw, or Slytherin - or let us sort you at random. Keep track of the books you read and their page count - the pages are your House Points. For bonus points, give a brief review of the book. Keep an eye out for monthly challenges! More information available on our website.

Check out these new books!



Volunteer Opportunities

Fundraising Committee

New Committee!

Join the Library's newly established committee dedicated to raising funds to improve programs, services, and facilities.

For more information, visit our website.

Film Society Committee

Help Select Titles for our Independent Film Series

Sign up for our Film Society Committee email list and receive information about upcoming TIFF selections for our screenings.

Volunteers can also help with poster distribution before each film, and selling tickets the night-of.

Special Events at the Library

Weekend and After-Hours Programs

Are you interested in helping with some of our special events at the Library? Head over to our website and fill out our volunteer application form.

Book Buddies

New Initiative!

We're looking to pair strong readers who want to give back, with younger readers who need a little help with their reading progress.

If you're interested, contact the Library for more information!

Little Free Pantry

Seeking Donations and Community Support

The Little Free Pantry is a free, no-questions-asked resource for those experiencing food insecurity. Donations of food and hygiene items can be made any time during our open hours. Cash donations of \$20.00 or more will receive a tax receipt.

Library Board

Second Wednesday of the Month | 6:30 p.m.

Library Board meetings are open to the public. Keep an eye out for openings on our Library Board to help support the Library.

Home Deliveries

Books for Homebound Individuals

We're looking for volunteers that are able to drive and transport books and other Library items to patrons who are homebound. Must have a valid driver's license and vehicle insurance.

Afterschool Snacks

New Initiative!

We're looking for a regular sponsor for our afterschool snacks for kids at the Library. We're also looking for someone who is interested in and able to run a "Snacks in the Stacks" program with prepared food for participants. If you're interested, contact the Library for more information!





**SYLVAN LAKE
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ABOUT US

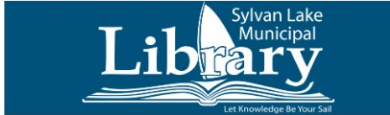
The Library houses a free no-questions-asked Little Free Pantry, where those in need can help themselves to perishable and non-perishable food items. The pantry can be accessed any time during our open hours, at no charge.

OUR HISTORY

In September of 2016, we started the Little Free Pantry in the centre of the library to help with growing food insecurities. We started with a few shelves, now we have 3 rows of shelves as well as a refrigerator.

USAGE

As food insecurity rises in the community, the need to restock high demand items becomes more frequent. Monetary donations go towards purchasing these items on a consistent basis.



403-887-2130

MONETARY DONATIONS

Donations can be made on our website, or in person at the library. Donations of \$20 or more can receive a tax-receipt. Donations can be made as a one-time gift or on a monthly, quarterly, or annual basis.

PHYSICAL DONATIONS

Physical donations are made up of perishable and non-perishable food items, hygiene products, and toiletries. Businesses and community groups can gather these items, making their own large donation.

- High Demand Items**
- Canned protein
 - Canned fruit
 - Hygiene items
 - “Heat & eat” meals

- High Demand Items**
- Milk
 - Butter
 - Lunch meat
 - Cheese

Thank you

To all the individuals, groups, and businesses for your support, thank you.

Library of Things

Libraries are more than just books!

Our Library of Things is made up of additional items available for borrowing, ranging from board games to technology items to outdoor play items.

Discover these items and more available for checkout, free with your library card!

Board Game Collection



Shifu Orboot Children's Globe



Illuminated Smart World Interactive Globe for Kids



Telescope



NexSource Passes



Lawn Dart Games



Daisy Book Reader



Kill A Watt Power Monitor



Radon Screening Kits



Fog Machine



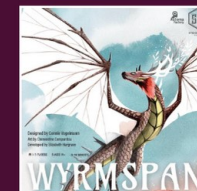
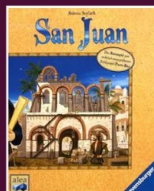
Guitar Pick Punch Kit



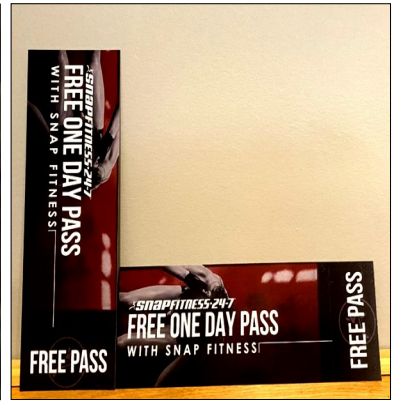
Bocce Ball Set



Check out these new board games!



Reusable Canvas Bags: \$5.25 | Headphones: \$2.50
NexSource Passes: Free with your Library Card | Snap Fitness Passes: Free



Our outdoor book return is accessible 24/7 to drop off your items.

Library Strategic Goals

Create Young Readers

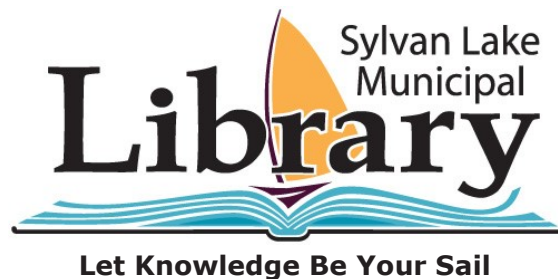
Children will have programs and services designed to ensure that they will enter school ready to learn, write, and listen.

Know Your Community

Patrons will have a central source for information about the wide variety of community programs, services, and activities.

Express Creativity

Patrons will have access to services and materials to enjoy and create original content in various formats and settings.



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