In the Know





Program Guide September, October, November 2023

Resources & Support

Housing, Food Security, Counselling, Advocacy

Social Services Community Supports (Ontario Works) www.clarington-library.on.ca/

socialservicescommunitysupports

Bowmanville: Thursdays, 10am-3pm

Courtice: First Wednesday of every month, 10am-3pm

Newcastle: First Monday of every month, 1-3pm

Orono: First Friday of every month, 10am-2pm

Food Security

Clarington Public Library, Museums, & Archives Food Pantries (p.14)

Bowmanville, Newcastle, Orono: available during hours of operation

• Certified Oaths and Affirmations

Commissioner of Oaths Services (Municipality of Clarington)

www.clarington.net/en/town-hall/ commissioner-of-oaths.aspx

Bowmanville: Wednesday, Nov 1, 6-8pm **Courtice:** Saturday, Nov 25, 9:30am-12:30pm Please see website for full details of services offered.

• Employment, Careers

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Courtice: Tuesdays; Sep 12, Oct 17, Nov 14; 2-4:30pm

• El, Pension Plans, Job Bank

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Item Returns

Library materials may be returned to any of our four branches in Bowmanville, Courtice, Newcastle, and Orono. External item return drops are available at all branches 24/7.

Please note that certain special collection items (e.g. Book Club in a Bag Kits, Home Theatre Kits, etc.), must be returned to a branch service desk during operating hours.

Overdue Fine Free

www.clarington-library.on.ca/bringitback

Overdue fines have been eliminated for all Library materials. Most items will automatically renew an unlimited number of times. Members remain responsible for lost and damaged items.

Notifications

www.clarington-library.on.ca/communications

Library members have the choice of automated phone call, email, and SMS/text notifications relating to holds available for pick up, courtesy due date reminders, and overdue notices. Please contact staff to change your communication preferences.

Good Neighbours

www.clarington-library.on.ca/goodneighbours

We bring the Library to you! Staff select material based on your personal reading preferences, then you can arrange for drop off through volunteer organizations. We also conduct regular visits to local long-term care and retirement residences.

Museum & Archival Research

www.claringtonmuseums.com/contact

Discover our community's rich history! Contact the Museum & Archives for assistance with local history, genealogical research, and more.

News & Events



Spirit Walks

Sarah Jane Williams HC: 6:30-7:30pm

Friday, Oct 13 Wednesday, Oct 18 Monday, Oct 23 Saturday, Oct 28 Monday, Oct 30

All ages • Registered • Cost \$15 + non-refundable Eventbrite service fee

Hear tales of hauntings and history, stories and spirits, ghosts and genealogy! For more than 200 years, the people of Bowmanville have been building a repertoire of spooky local stories. The time has come to open Bowmanville's historical vault and share some of our tales of eerie and unexplained phenomenon.

Join Clarington Public Library, Museums, and Archives on our famous bone-chilling, evening tours through the streets of Bowmanville. Over the course of the walk, you will hear ghostly accounts while being introduced to the town's early history.

Please note: walking tours will take place outside, rain or shine.



Remembrance Day

Sarah Jane Williams HC:

Thu, Nov 9, 2-3pm • Adults • Registered

Join us for an informative presentation on the local impact of the First and Second World Wars, and a reflection on the act of Remembrance.

Halloween Hijinks

Sarah Jane Williams HC: Sat, Oct 28, 1-3pm • Families • Drop in



Celebrate all things Halloween! Join us for stories, crafts, games and more. Costumes are optional, but encouraged.

Trick or Treat!

All locations: Tuesday, Oct 31

Trick or Treat, smell my feet, give me something good to eat! Trick or Treat at your closest location, available all day while supplies last!

Local Author Book Festival

Courtice: Saturday, Oct 28, 10am-2pm



Celebrate the authors that live in or write about our Durham community! Speak with local authors and discover their works!

Harvest Festival Book Sale

Newcastle: Saturday, Oct 7, 10am-5pm

Have a book? Give a book? Need a book Get a book! Support your library and visit us during the Newcastle Harvest Festival for our largest book sale ever!

Material Donations

All locations: Monday, Sep 18 to Friday, Oct 6

Donations of all materials, including books, DVDs, video games, etc., will be accepted at all locations from September 18 to October 6.



News & Events

Makerspace Launch!

Courtice: Tuesday, Sep 26, 3pm All ages • Drop in

Save the date! Drop by to discover all the amazing things you can do in the new makerspace!

Book Club in a Bag New Titles Launch



Newcastle: Thu, Sep 14, 5:30-7:30pm Adults • Drop in

Mix and mingle with fellow readers and book clubbers, and get first dibs on booking new titles!

Ontario Public Library Week

Monday, Oct 16 to Friday, Oct 20

Celebrate libraries and what they mean to you! During Ontario Public Library Week in October, libraries and library partners across the province raise awareness of the valuable role libraries play in the lives of their communities.

Stay tuned to our website for more information!

Customer Appreciation Day

All locations: Wednesday, Oct 18, 1-6pm • All ages • Drop in

We're celebrating you! Drop into any location for free refreshments and activities.



Film Screening: The Road Forward Newcastle:

Wednesday, Sep 27, 6pm All ages • Drop in

Presented with the Municipality of Clarington

In recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, join us for a viewing of *The Road Forward*. This musical documentary by Marie Clements connects a pivotal moment in Canada's civil rights history—the beginnings of Indian Nationalism in the 1930s—with the powerful momentum of First Nations activism today.

Odibaadodaan: Celebrating First Nation, Métis and Inuit Storytellers

Robert McLaughlin Gallery (72 Queen St, Oshawa): Friday, Nov 24, 6-9pm All ages • Drop in Presented with partners from across Durham Region

Join us in celebrating a variety of First Nation, Métis, and Inuit storytellers across various mediums and disciplines within our community.

Black Experience Townhall

Newcastle: Wednesday, Nov 29, 6-9pm Adults, youth • Registered

carionfenn.org/black-experience-townhall

Presented with Durham Black Network, the Carion Fenn Foundation, and the Municipality of Clarington

Share the moments of strength, sacrifice and success that shape the Black Community in Durham Region. Join the conversation to address systemic barriers in education and child welfare, featuring guest speakers and community dialogue.

Children's: Storytimes

Storytime Calendar

All locations: Tuesday, Sep 5 to Saturday, Nov 25

Baby Bookworms

Ages 0-3 • Drop in

Drop in each week for stories, songs and rhymes, followed by a social playtime!

Tales for Toddlers

Ages 1¹/₂-3 • Drop in

Enjoy stories, songs and rhymes using the skills taught in Every Child Ready to Read[®], designed to help build early literacy skills!

Stay & Play

Ages 0-5 • Drop in

Have fun and make new friends! Children and their caregivers can play, explore, and socialize. This is a casual program, please feel free to arrive late or leave early!

Discovery Storytime

Ages 3-5 • Drop in

Children will play, learn and explore during this interactive STEAM-based storytime.



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Infant & Toddler Storytimes				
Baby Bookworms (45 mins)		•••••	•••••	
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Wednesdays, 10:30am				
Thursdays, 10:30am				
Tales for Toddlers (45 mins)				
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Wednesdays, 10:30am				
Thursdays, 10:30am				
Socialization				
Stay & Play (1 hour)	•••••	•••••	•••••	 •••••
Mondays, 10:30am				
Wednesdays, 10:30am				
Fridays, 10:30am				
STEAM Storytimes				
Discovery Storytime (45 mins)				
Tuesdays, 10:30am				
Wednesdays, 1:30pm				
Thursdays, 10:30am				

Learn and Explore Together!

www.clarington-library.on.ca/collections

Boost your family time with the Library of Things!

Explore local natural areas and trails with a **Binocular Kit** or a **Back2Nature Conservation Area Exploration Kit** from CLOCA, get outside and active with **Sports Kits**, and enjoy **Board & Card Games** together (great for rainy fall days!)

You can also enhance your literacy and STEAM skills (science, technology, engineering, arts, math) with **STEAM Kits**, **Mini-Maker Kits**, **Launchpads**, and **Storytime Kits**!



Children's



Special Storytimes

Families • Drop in

Pirate Storytime

Courtice: Tuesday, Sep 19, 6-6:45pm

Arrr! Celebrate International Talk Like a Pirate Day! Join us for stories, songs, activities and more. Pirate costumes are optional but encouraged!

Islamic History Month Storytime

Bowmanville: Saturday, Oct 7, 11am-12pm

Presented with Muslim Women in Durham Region

Learn about the rich heritage of Islamic History Month in October with a stories, crafts, and henna art.

I Read Canadian Day Storytime Bowmanville: Wednesday, Nov 8, 6-7pm

Celebrate our talented Canadian authors and illustrators with a storytime featuring some of our favourite books.



Infant Hearing Screening Clinic

Newcastle: alternate Thursdays, 10am-6pm

Ages 2 months and under • Registered

Presented with Markham Stouffville Hospital the lead agency for the Tri-Regional Infant Hearing Program

Children develop speech and language skills by listening and imitating those around them, but these skills may be delayed in the case of deafness or hearing loss.

Sign up your infant for a screening if you have hearing-related concerns, and learn about the follow-up services available to your family.

Infant & Toddler Sleep Workshop



Bowmanville: Monday, Oct 16, 11am-12pm Families • Registered

Presented with Holly Jefferd, Certified Paediatric Sleep Consultant, Tiny Sleepers Big Dreamers

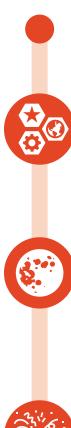
Learn how to get your little one into a healthy sleep routine that works for your family.

EarlyON Programs

EarlyON Child and Family Centres provide opportunities for children from birth to six years of age to participate in play and inquiry-based programs, and support parents and caregivers in their roles.

Find support, make personal connections, and access a network of resources. For more information on the programs offered at Newcastle and Courtice Branches, as well as other locations within the Municipality of Clarington, please visit www.durham.ca/earlyon.

Children's: PA Days



September P.A. Day Fun!

Friday, Sep 29 Grades JK-6 • Drop in

Full STEAM Ahead

Newcastle: 10:30-11:30am

Have fun exploring a variety of STEAM activities and toys.

Harvest Moon

Sarah Jane Williams HC: 10:30-11:30am

Discover fall fun this PA Day at the Museum with activities celebrating harvest time!



Pop-Up Makerspace

Bowmanville: 1:30-2:30pm

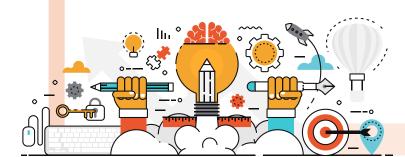
Create, play and explore at the library! Use a variety of craft materials to create a one-of-a kind masterpiece.



Construction Challenge Courtice:

1:30-2:30pm

Build and play at the library! Choose a challenge card or create your own project. Use a variety of materials to build with.







November P.A. Day Fun!

Friday, Nov 3 Grades JK-6 • Drop in



Remembrance Day

Sarah Jane Williams HC: 10:30-11:30am

Learn about Remembrance Day at the Museum with activities recognizing the act of remembrance.



Pop-Up Makerspace

Orono: 10:30-11:30am

Create, play and explore at the library! Use a variety of craft materials to create a one-of-a kind masterpiece.



Dinosaur Explorers

Bowmanville: 1:30-2:30pm

Explore the world of dinosaurs with hands-on activities.



Medieval Adventures

Courtice: 1:30-2:30pm

Learn about Medieval history with stories, crafts and activities.

Youth



P.A. Day Fun! Grades 7-12 • Drop in

Teen Movie Afternoon

Newcastle: Friday, Sep 29, 2-4pm

Join us for an interactive viewing of *Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 1* on the big screen! Take part in activities and challenges throughout the showing! Snacks will be provided.

Game On!

Bowmanville: Friday, Nov 3, 2-4pm

Whether you prefer tabletop or console, join us for games, games, snacks, and of course, games!

Maker Magic

Courtice: Friday, Nov 24, 1-3pm

Grades 9-12 • Registered

Turn an ordinary mug into a one of a kind work of art using the Cricut Mug Press. Plus, test out our new button maker and create some original designs to keep or give to your friends!



Teen Hang-Out

Courtice: Mondays, Sep 11 to Nov 20 Bowmanville: Thursdays, Sep 14 to Nov 23

3:30-4:30pm • Grades 7-12 • Drop in

Eat! Game! Create! Hang out with other teens, play video and board games, get creative with our craft supplies, and more. Snacks will be provided.



TAG (Teen Advisory Group)

Bowmanville: Wednesdays, Sep 13 to Nov 22

Newcastle: Thursdays, Sep 14 to Nov 23

3:30-4:30pm • Grades 7-12 • Drop in

Earn volunteer hours at the library! We are looking for enthusiastic youth in grades 7-12 to join our Teen Advisory Groups (TAG).

TAG members will have a say in library programs and services for teens, assist with children's programs, learn leadership skills, and more! Students who attend TAG meetings will receive additional volunteer opportunities throughout the year.

Youth

Spelling Bee

Newcastle: Saturday, Oct 21, 10:30am-12:30pm Grades 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 • Registered

A-W-E-S-O-M-E! Put your spelling skills to the test during the Clarington Public Library, Museum and Archive's first spelling bee!

Battle of the Books

Registration begins Friday, Sep 22

www.clarington-library.on.ca/ battleofthebooks

Presented in partnership with Durham Libraries

Prepare for Battle! Battle of the Books is an annual book-based trivia competition for school teams across Durham Region.

Teams in the Junior (Grades 4-6) and Intermediate (Grades 7-8) Levels test their knowledge of book titles from a select reading list at the Finals in April.

To participate, ask a member of your school's faculty to register a team at www. bookbattle.ca starting September 22.

Congratulations to last year's Regional Champions, MJ Hobbs Senior Public School and Enniskillen Public School!



At Home On My Own

Courtice: Saturday, Oct 21, 10:30am-2:30pm

Newcastle: Saturday, Nov 25, 10:30am-2:30pm

Ages 10-12 • Registered • Cost \$60 + non-refundable Eventbrite service fee Presented with React Right Safety Services

This Canadian Safety Council course gives youth the tools and information they need to stay at home alone for short periods of time. A Red Cross certified instructor from React Right Safety Services facilitates the class.

Topics include:

- Looking after the house key (make a key chain);
- Preparing healthy snacks;
- Walking home;
- Appropriate activities when home alone;
- Electrical/fire safety;
- Basic First Aid; and
- Problem solving (house broken into, severe weather).

Babysitting Course

Courtice: Saturday, Sep 23, 10:30am-4:30pm

Bowmanville: Saturday, Oct 14, 10:30am-4:30pm

Courtice: Saturday, Nov 4, 10:30am-4:30pm

Ages 11-15 • Registered • Cost \$60 + non-refundable Eventbrite service fee Presented with React Right Safety Services

This course teaches youth the fundamental skills they need to start their own babysitting service. A Red Cross certified instructor from React Right Safety Services facilitates the class.

Topics include:

- How to give appropriate care for infants, toddlers and school-aged children;
- Dealing with basic First Aid emergencies;
- How to recognize potential hazards;
- What parents expect of a babysitter;
- How to safely find customers; and
- Rural babysitting.



Youth: STEM



Fiero Code Club

Courtice: Thursdays, Oct 5 to Nov 23, 4-5pm

Grades 4-6 • Registered

Learn to code for free with Fiero Code Club. Choose your own project and work on it each week alongside other coders!

More About Fiero Code

Love gaming? Create your own! Learn to code Python, CSS, Raspberry Pi.

Create your personal avatar and earn items and accessories as you complete activities at your own pace in your own time.



Minecraft Coding (Code.org)

Courtice: Friday, Nov 3, 10am-12pm Grades 3-6 • Registered

Learn the basics of computer science by programming Alex or Steve to move through a simulated piece of a Minecraft world! You'll be using Blockly, a visual coding system using drag-anddrop blocks.



c_wonder Workshops

Registered

Presented with Ontario Tech University, Engineering Outreach

Boost your child's STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) skills with Ontario Tech University's Engineering Outreach!

STEM Workshops

Newcastle: Saturday, Sep 16, 2-4pm (Grades 1-4)

Courtice: Saturday, Oct 7, 2-4pm (Grades 5-8)

Students will learn the fundamentals of the engineering design process and tackle design challenges, exploring how engineering can solve diverse and real-world issues.

Coding Workshops

Bowmanville: Saturday, Nov 4, 2-4pm (Grades 5-8)

Courtice: Saturday, Nov 25, 2-4pm (Grades 1-4)

Students will learn coding fundamentals and concepts such as inputs, outputs, if statements, loops, variables, and operators through hands-on activities.

Adults

Senior Health & Wellness



Adults 55+ • Drop in Presented with Community Care Durham

Zumba Gold

Newcastle: Mondays, 6-7pm

Enjoy low impact movements and lower intensity with all the fun, music, and fitness benefits of the original. Suitable for any fitness level; no experience required.

Falls Prevention Class

Newcastle: Fridays, 1-2pm

Learn exercises and balance activities that can help reduce your risk of falls. Increase your lower body and core strength, and improve balance and posture.

Chair Yoga

Newcastle: Wednesdays, 4-5pm

Increase flexibility, relax the mind and body, and meet new people from your community with this gentle form of yoga! Classes are suitable for all fitness levels, with alternative movements or modifications provided.

Puzzle Exchange

Newcastle: Saturday, Nov 4, 1-3pm All ages • Drop in

Freshen up your jigsaw puzzle collection! Swap your gently used puzzles for something new.



Tea & Talk Social Hour

Courtice: Alternate Tuesdays, Sep 5, 19; Oct 3, 17, 31; Nov 14, 28

Newcastle: Alternate Tuesdays, Sep 12, 26; Oct 10, 24; Nov 7, 21

1:30-2:30pm • Adults 55+ • Drop in

Socialize and meet new people! Join us each week for interesting speakers, fun activities, and refreshments.

Check our website or social media for the week's topics, including author visits, eReading, classic board games, armchair travel, smart phone basics, women's history, spooky stories, and more!

The Sunday Classic

Bowmanville: Sundays, 1pm Adults 55+ • Drop in

Meet-up with other older adults to enjoy a movie and refreshments! Funded by the Province of Ontario.

Oct 1: The Birds (1963) Nov 5: Holiday (1938)



NaNoWriMo Drop-In

All branches: Saturdays, November, 10am-2pm

Adults, youth • Drop in

Drop by any library branch to work on your National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) project! Sit at the designated table for a chance to meet other writers and find writing prompts and encouragement to help you stay motivated.

Adults



Get Crafty!

Adults • Registered

Show your creative spirit with this new workshop series! All supplies will be provided; no crafting experience necessary!

Upcycled Art

Bowmanville: Monday, Sep 18, 6-7pm

Newcastle: Thursday, Sep 21, 2-3pm

Create a unique decoration for your home using upcycled materials.



Courtice: Wednesday, Nov 8, 6-7pm Bowmanville, Monday, Nov 13, 6-7pm

Show someone you care with a handmade card. Learn some simple card making techniques then have fun creating your own designs!



2SLGBTQ+ Online Book Club

Online: last Tuesdays, 7-8pm; Sep 26, Oct 24, Nov 28



Adults • Registered

Presented in partnership with Ajax Public Library, Oshawa Public Libraries, Whitby Public Library,

Read and discuss titles by and about 2SLGBTQ+ people and their experiences in this virtual book club. All titles will be available through hoopla.

Check our website or social media for each month's titles!

Tech Help Desk Bowmanville:

Wednesdays, starting Sep 13, 2-4pm Adults • Drop in



Do you have a device or online resource you need help with? Visit our Tech Help Desk and we'll work together to solve your technology troubles.

New Observers to Visual Astronomy (NOVA) Course

Courtice: Tuesdays, Oct 17 to Nov 28, 6-8pm Adults, youth • Registered

Presented with the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada (RASC), Toronto Centre

Learn the basics of practical astronomy and get started in your exploration of the cosmos! Topics include navigating the sky, the solar system, deep space, black holes, telescopes and binoculars, stars and constellations, and light pollution.

Adults



Wills and Estate Planning

Courtice: Wednesday, Nov 8, 6-7pm • Adults • Drop in Presented with Mallik Fernando, Durham Community Legal Clinic (DCLC)

In recognition of November being "Make a Will Month," join the DCLC to learn about the key elements of wills and power of attorneys, and first steps needed to get started.

Service Canada Community Outreach

Bowmanville: Tuesday, Oct 3, 11am-2pm Newcastle: Monday, Nov 6, 11am-2pm

Adults • Drop in Presented with Service Canada

Learn about Service Canada programs and resources, including Employment Insurance (EI), Canada Pension Plan (CPP), Job

Bank, and Apprenticeship Grants.



Everything Employability

Courtice: Tuesdays; Sep 12, Oct 17, Nov 14

2-4:30pm • Adults, youth • Drop in

Presented with Agilec, funded by Employment Ontario

Get the career or job seeking advice you need to meet your employment goals.

Meet one-on-one with Agilec staff for resume and cover letter feedback, employment advice, job boards and community job fairs, and additional services and programs.

Food Pantries

Bowmanville, Newcastle, Orono: available during hours of operation Presented with Feed the Need Durham and the Clarington East Food Bank

Members of the public experiencing food insecurity can pick up nonperishable food items from open shelves at the Bowmanville, Courtice, Newcastle, and Orono Branches during open hours.

If you wish to donate financially or items to the pantry, please direct your donations to Feed the Need Durham and the Clarington East Food Bank.



English Conversation Circles

Courtice: Thursdays, starting Sep 28 6-7:30pm • Adults • Drop in Presented with Community Development Council Durham (CDCD)

Practice speaking English and learn more about the Clarington community and life in Canada! Join the English Conversation Circle and discover English as a Second Language resources, get connected to your community, and practice your English speaking skills!



Find us at these upcoming local events!

BOAA Active Living Fair & Open House Wed, Sep 6, 9am-2pm • 26 Beech Ave

Orono Fair Thursday, Sep 7 to Sunday, Sep 10

Newcastle Harvest Festival Saturday, Oct 7, 9am-3pm

Bowmanville Applefest Saturday, Oct 14, 9am-5pm



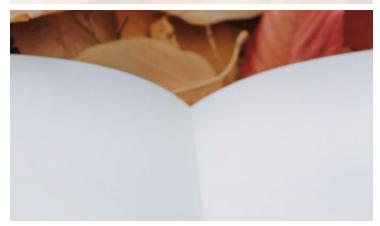


Harvest Festival Book Sale

Newcastle Branch Saturday, Oct 7 10am to 5pm

Have a book? Give a book! Need a book? Get a book!

Donations of all materials accepted at all locations Sep 18 to Oct 6



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Bowmanville Branch 163 Church St • 905-623-7322

Courtice Branch 2950 Courtice Rd • 905-404-0707

Newcastle Branch 150 King Ave E • 905-987-4844

Orono Branch 127 Church St • 905-983-5507

Sarah Jane Williams Heritage Centre

62 Temperance St • 905-623-2734

	Bowmanville	Courtice	Newcastle	Orono	Sarah Jane
Mon	9:30am-8pm	10am-8pm	10am-8pm	3-7:30pm	-
Tue	9:30am-8pm	10am-8pm	10am-8pm	10am-2:30pm	10am-4pm
Wed	9:30am-8pm	10am-8pm	10am-8pm	3-7:30pm	10am-4pm
Thu	9:30am-8pm	10am-8pm	10am-8pm	10am-2:30pm	10am-4pm
Fri	9:30am-6pm	10am-6pm	10am-6pm	10am-2:30pm	-
Sat	9:30am-5pm	10am-5pm	10am-5pm	10am-2:30pm	-
Sun	12:30-5pm	12:30-5pm	12:30-5pm	-	-

All Locations Closed:

Labour Day (Monday, Sep 4); National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Saturday, Sep 30); Thanksgiving (Monday, Oct 9); Staff Development Day (Thursday, Oct 26)

Recently spotted at Waverley Place! We were excited to announce the return of Edwardian Teas on the veranda this summer!