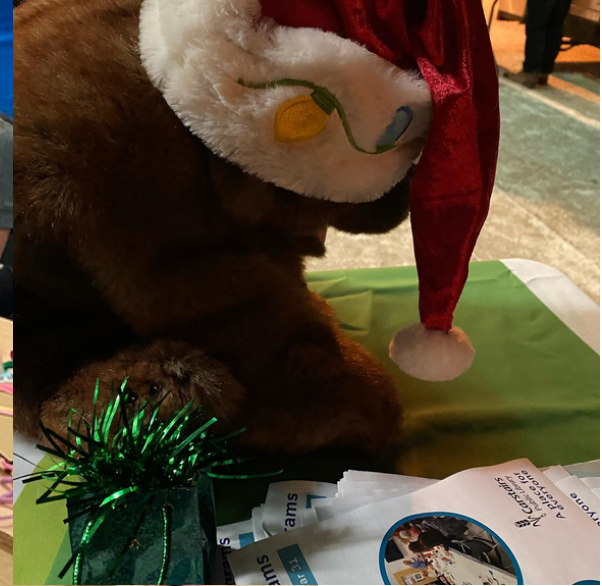


CHECK IT OUT

What's on and new at Carstairs Public Library

Highlights

- Winter Programs
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Library News
- Book Recommendations



Welcome

We have had some staffing changes and we are excited to welcome Douglas Gnida to the Adult Program Coordinator position. Douglas joins us from Edmonton where he recently finished the Library Tech program. We are excited for all the new ideas he's bringing to our library. Douglas is looking forward to meeting everyone and getting to know the area more. Please stop by and say hi next time you are in the library.

NEW BOOK



Secret Places by Jochen Mussig

Offers insider tips on extraordinary but less traveled destinations all over the world. A much-needed alternative to overcrowded tourist spots as the postpandemic world reopens. Visually striking photographs and text encourage discovery and the pursuit of one-of-a-kind experiences

DID YOU KNOW?

We have changed our hours. We now open at 9am Tuesday thru Saturday. That's 5 more hours a week to enjoy the library!

Current Hours:
Sun/Mon: Closed
Tues. 9am-6pm
Wed/Thur 9am-8pm
Fri/Sat 9am-5pm

BOOKS TO TALK ABOUT BOOK CLUBS



Join a conversation
full of interesting
perspectives...
...there's something
here for everyone!

3rd Wednesday
each month
2pm or 7pm

Contact the library for
more information.

Seated Chair Exercises

Wednesdays at 2pm
6 week session
February 1st - March 8th

This low-impact
fitness class will run
at Uptown Gym
(104 10 Avenue).

Space is limited, so
please register
through the library.

Contact us for
more information
or to register.

carstairs@prl.ab.ca

403-337-3943



UPTOWN GYM 24/7
AND FITNESS STUDIO
myuptowngym.com

ADULT DROP IN PROGRAM

BOARDS AND DECKS

Connect and compete in a casual setting.
Library staff will be bringing games from their
personal collections to add to the fray.
Bring your own game or try a new one!

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 6PM



Winter for adults

The weather may be cold but it's warm at the library with lots of programs to keep you entertained, learning new skills and meeting people. If our programs aren't to your taste we have new books, audiobooks and DVDs arriving all winter long.

Many of our programs are new so we are excited to welcome you to check them out and help us shape how they will grow. If you have ideas for guest speakers or topics we'd love to hear your thoughts. You can email carstairs@prl.ab.ca and let us know.

Legends & Lattes by Travis Baldree

Our manager Megan highly recommends this new cozy fantasy novel. This new genre of fantasy is about the small moments and what happens outside those epic fantasy adventures.

What happens when you are tired of big adventures in far off places? For Viv her dream is to open a coffee shop. Along the way she meets new people, learns a lot and experiences some challenges. Can she make her dream happen.



Shady Hollow by Juneau Black

Don't let this cover fool you, this is a mystery novel for grown ups. Reporter Vera Vixen is a relative newcomer to Shady Hollow. The fox has a nose for news, so when she catches wind that a death might be a murder, she resolves to get to the bottom of the case, no matter where it leads. As she stirs up still waters, the fox exposes more than one mystery, and discovers that additional lives are in jeopardy.



ADULT DROP IN PROGRAM

Friday Chit Chat

Join us for this informal program for adults!
 We all have times when we could use a little extra connection.
 Whether you're an older adult, a parent or caregiver, or
 experiencing other transitions and challenges, you are welcome!

Coffee and tea will be provided - bring your own mug.

Fridays at 10:30am.



ADULT PROGRAM

Level Up Your Life

This collaborative group is all about learning new skills and building a better life. A broad range of topics will be covered from month to month - financial literacy, mental wellness, entrepreneurship, organization, and more!

ONE SATURDAY A MONTH @ 2PM

Feb 4 - Creative Journals
 Mar 4 - Car Chat

Contact the library to register or for more information.

ADULT DROP IN PROGRAM

TECH TALK

Explore the basics of online resources, advancing technology, and more in straightforward discussions and through hands on practice and assistance.

Runs on the fourth Wednesday each month.

January 25th @ 7pm

Tricky Tech

February 22nd @ 7pm

Design Space Basics

March 22nd @ 7pm

TBA



Blackwater Falls

by Ausma Zehanat Khan

The first in a timely and powerful crime series, introducing Detective Inaya Rahman.

Girls from immigrant communities have been disappearing for months in the Colorado town of Blackwater Falls, but the local sheriff is slow to act and the fates of the missing girls largely ignored. At last, the calls for justice become too loud to ignore when the body of a star student and refugee--the Syrian teenager Razan Elkader--is positioned deliberately in a mosque.



The Green Lady

by Sue Lawrence

1567, Scotland -- no place for a woman. Mary, Queen of Scots, is forced to abdicate in favour of her infant son. A shocking tale of intrigue, secrets, treachery and murder, based on true events, but seen from a different perspective than is found in most history books.

ADULT PROGRAM

Adult Crafternoon

Join us once a month to try new craft techniques. Create, learn, and visit with other crafters.

Please register with the library.

SATURDAYS @ 2PM ONCE A MONTH

JAN 21 - BEESWAX WRAPS
FEB 18 - LEATHER STAMPING
MAR 22 - TBA

Registration Required

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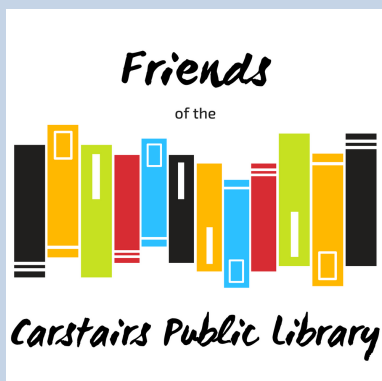


Friends of the Library

Help Support the Library and Volunteer

The Friends of the Library are a group of volunteers who support our library by fundraising for new books, equipment and program supplies. They are looking for new members to join them in many different roles, from being someone who helps at a book sale, to a casino volunteer and there are even opportunities to join their board and help plan and organize new fundraisers.

You can learn more by emailing friendscarstairslibrary@gmail.com



Local Artists Gallery

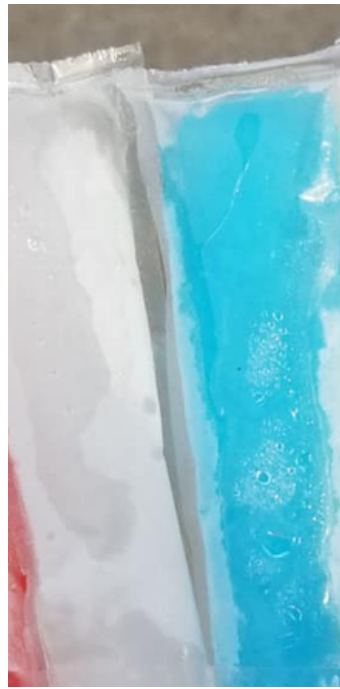


Opportunity to exhibit

Over the last year we've had some fabulous exhibits on our Local Artists Gallery and we are looking for some new exhibits this coming year. Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Carstairs Public Library we are able to offer a space for local artists to share their works with the community and brighten our space. Our mission is to be a place for everyone. We want to encourage creativity and foster collaborative relationships throughout our community through spaces like this. We've hosted photography, painting, drawings and textile arts so there is quite a range of opportunities for different artists and groups of artists. If you would like to exhibit please email Megan at mginther@prl.ab.ca to learn more.



Fun Around Town



We had a blast (of cold) celebrating Carstairs Crazy Christmas. We handed out our new program brochure, Christmas coloring contest and FREEZIES! It's always fun to join the community to celebrate the season.

To help everyone enjoy the season we have some outdoor equipment available to borrow, it's as easy as asking at the desk for these items.

Available to borrow at the Carstairs Library

- Crazy Carpets
- 2 Castle builders
- Igloo block mold
- 3 Character molds



No library card required!
Come and ask at the library front desk.



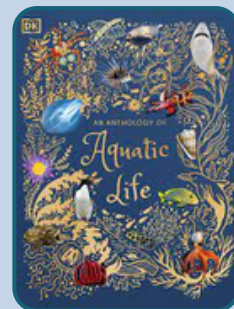
Sweet Valley Twins: Best Friends by Nicole Andelfinger

Jessica and Elizabeth are ready to take on middle school . . . but are they ready to take on each other? The New York Times bestselling world of Sweet Valley Twins returns in these all-new graphic novel adaptations! This series should be as popular with readers as The Baby-Sitters Club graphic novels.



This book is not a present by Max Greenfield

Who wants a stupid book for a present? This book is a love letter to all kids. The ones who wouldn't dream of asking for a book as a present. The ones who unwrap the box hoping to find anything—a dog, a skateboard, even socks—besides a book.



An Anthology of Aquatic Life by Sam Hume

The underwater world is so much bigger than young minds can fathom and there is always more to learn. From the deepest, widest ocean to the tiniest puddle, this beautiful compendium takes young readers on an enthralling journey through the aquatic world, meeting amazing animals, ingenious plants, and much more along the way.

Fall Fun for Families

Read, Romp & Rhyme



0-5 years

Tuesday and Thursday
10:30am

Enjoy songs, stories,
music and more!

More information at
403-337-3943

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Baby Laptime



Jan 25 - Mar 1

For adults to engage and sing with their babies. Older siblings are welcome..



6 week program
Wednesday 10:30am

0-12 months
Register with the library
403-337-3943

More information at

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Homeschool Huddle

Participate in a variety of activities while socializing with other homeschool families.

Children under age 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Activities provided are for ages 6-12 years.

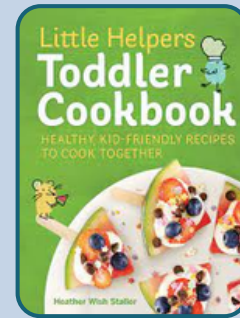
Two Tuesdays per month

2nd Tuesday

- Children and adults explore an activity together with our families.

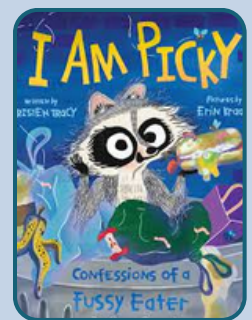
4th Tuesday

- Adults have time to share resources and ideas for the first half while the children get started on an activity. The second half, adults join their children.



Little Helpers: Toddler Cookbook by Heather Staller
Get your toddler comfortable in the kitchen with fun and simple recipes that they can help with. Give adventurous young children an opportunity to learn cooking basics.

I am Picky by Kristen Tracy
Don't look at this raccoon and think she'll eat just anything. Oh, no. She is picky! She's been choosy forever—and listen, it's a tough life. It's not as though the perfect snacks just fall from the sky (except when they do).



NO SCHOOL DAYS

Grade 1 and up
1:00-3:00pm

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Come and join us for a structured activity that includes, creating, exploring science, books and more. Watch for upcoming activities and register with us.

Feb 10 - Valentine's Day Party
Feb 24 - Tinker Tech
Mar 10 - Lego Racing Challenge
Mar 24 - Video Gaming



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2023

WHO WILL WIN?
YOU DECIDE!

JUNIOR DIVISION



INTERMEDIATE DIVISION



SENIOR DIVISION



Just For Kids

When school is out the library is the place to be. Join us to create, explore and play from 1-3:00pm at our special programs just for kids in Grades 1 and up. In February we will be making some Valentine's Day crafts and celebrating with a party, then later in the month our technology like robots and coding games will take center stage. In March we will challenge your Lego building skills and then spend an afternoon playing video games with friends. To join in the fun register with the library by calling 403-337-39453.

If you are stuck and not sure what to read next, remember you have until April to read the Young Reader's Choice Award books and cast your votes for which book you think should win the prize. This is the only book prize voted on by kids and there are books for everyone in Grade 3-12. Voting is easy, just hole punch the book mark in the book and put it into our draw box. You can read and vote for multiple books.

Homeschool families are welcome to join us twice a month for Homeschool Huddle, a time for kids ages 6-12 to spend time developing their social skills, while exploring a new topic each month. Sometimes we are creating art, trying our hand at writing, or experimenting with science, but we are always having fun. While the kids are having fun parents are welcome to visit, share resources and build connections. Children under 8 may need a grown ups helping hand with some activities.

Just for Teens

TEEN TIME!

FOURTH THURSDAY
OF THE MONTH!

AGES 13+
@6:30 PM

January 26th :
Teen movie night
(Anna and the Apocalypse)

February 23rd:
Board Game Mania

March 23rd:
Anime Day

Follow us on Facebook &
Instagram for monthly
posters!



Carstairs
Public Library

TEEN



Book

CLUB

3rd Thursday of the Month

6:30pm

contact cortman@prl.ab.ca
for current book selection



NEW

Duckboy By Bill Bunn

His mom disappeared without a trace. Believing his mom abandoned the family, Steve Best can barely function. School is a failure. Home is a disaster. Even his attempt to save a duck from the school bullies led to the nickname he's dying to forget. When he's sent to his Great Aunt Shannon's house for the holidays, he encounters a curious power that lets him travel and transform the world. He might be able to use it to save his mom—but only if the thugs or the police don't stop him first.

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TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

AGES 13+
DROP IN @ THE
LIBRARY
FIRST THURSDAY OF
THE MONTH 6:30PM

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