

# CHECK IT OUT

What's on and new at Carstairs Public Library

## Highlights

- Summer Reading Club
- Library Services Survey
- Library News
- Book Recommendations



## Welcome

We are very excited to welcome our Summer Program Coordinator Hayley Rawlings to our team this summer. We asked her to introduce herself.

*Hi, I'm Hayley, and I'm running the Summer Reading Club this year! A little bit about me... I am a university student working towards my Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, and my main areas of interest are applied child/developmental psychology and behavioural neuroscience. I love doodling, journaling, reading, listening to music, and spending time in nature, and I occasionally attempt to play guitar in my spare time. I can't wait to have fun with the kids this summer and to share my passion for reading and learning with them!*



## NEW BOOK

### The Sound of Light by Sarah Sundin

In WWII Denmark, Baron Henrik Ahlefeldt assumes the identity of a common shipyard worker, rowing messages to Sweden for the Resistance. His life depends on keeping his secret hidden—a task that proves challenging when he meets Else Jensen. Bestselling author Sarah Sundin offers pens another story of ordinary people responding to extraordinary circumstances with faith, fortitude, and hope for a brighter future.



## DID YOU KNOW?


**We lend out backpacks for kids, teens and adults. Each backpack has books, toys, equipment or games on a theme.**

**For summer travels check out the Family Road Trip and Adult Road Trip backpacks. These have road games, maps, audio books and more to keep you entertained while you travel.**



Carstairs Public Library

# Summer Reading Club

Cabinet of  Curiosities



## Two fun ways to participate

### Reading Challenge June 27-August 16 Ages: 6-18

- 1. Get a Beanstack account.**  
See our website for full details
- 2. Start Reading!**  
Use the timer to track how many minutes you read.
- 3. Reach 6 Hours!**  
To earn a digital ticket in Beanstack for the Grand Prize.
- 4. Come to the library!**  
Show us you finished 6 hours to collect your button and get a small prize.
- 5. Keep reading!**  
Every time you get to another 6 hours you get another digital ticket.

### Buttons?

Every badge you get in Beanstack you can collect a real pin version to add to your collection so stop by the library often to share your progress. Can you collect them all?

### What can you read?

Anything! Picture books, chapter books, beginning readers, audiobooks, graphic novels, the newspaper and epic series. All reading counts. It even counts if someone reads to you or you read to someone else.

### Day Camp Program July 4-August 11

- Tuesdays 10-3:30 for ages 7-12
- Wednesdays 10-3:30 for ages 12-14
- Thursdays 10-3:30 for ages 7-12
- Fridays 10-1 for ages 5-7

Every week is a new theme and a new adventure. Explore science, art, stories and games with us. Choose the day that works best for you each week and bring your curiosity and sense of fun.

Watch our website and social media for more details. Register with the library to reserve your spot by phoning 403-337-3943

## Grand Prize!



# Just for Teens

## Summer Kickoff

ages +13

June 29th @6:30

COME START THE SUMMER OFF WITH SOME CLASSIC GAMES AND FUN AT THE LIBRARY!



NEW

### This Town is Not All Right By M.K. Kryss

Driftwood Harbor may seem like an ordinarily boring, small New England town, but there's something extremely strange and downright creepy happening within town limits.

Twins Beacon and Everleigh McCullough are moving from their home in sunny L.A. to Driftwood Harbor, a rainy fishing village in New England. If that wasn't bad enough, there's something strange about this town and the mysterious group of too-perfect students called The Gold Stars.

## Grand Prize



## Summer Reading Challenge

Teens can join in the fun with our Summer Reading Challenge with your very own prize to be won. A one month subscription to "Once Upon a Book Club" book box. Get the Beanstack app and create an account to start tracking your reading time. For every 6 hours you read you'll get an entry into the prize draw. Get your minutes in by August 16th!



## Teen Games and Movie Night



Wednesday July 12

Field games @CES Park starts at 6:30  
Movie @Community Hall at 8:00

Ages 12+

Register at  
[carstairs@prl.ab.ca](mailto:carstairs@prl.ab.ca)  
403-337-3943

Movie snacks provided!



TEEN 12+

## SUMMER SCAVENGER HUNT



August 23

Start at the Carstairs Public Library @ 6:30  
Pick up at The Community Gazebo @8:30

Register at  
[carstairs@prl.ab.ca](mailto:carstairs@prl.ab.ca)  
403-337-3943  
Drop-ins welcome!

Win Prizes!



Sign up with a buddy!  
Teams of 2+



Bring a phone for photos!



# Spring into Fun for Families

## Story Walk at the Nature Space




**July 4 - 29th**

Visit the Nature Space and read the story "Treasure" as you walk along the path. Take a photo of your group and email to the Carstairs Library for a chance to win a door prize!

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403-337-3943  
YD Summer Reading Club

## Read, Romp & Rhyme

Outside around the library



**0-5 years**  
Thursday 10:30am  
July 6-Aug 17

Enjoy songs, stories, music and more!

More information at  
403-337-3943  
WWW.CARSTAIRSPUBLIC.PRL.AB.CA

Carstairs Public Library  
1000 Books Before Kindergarten

*Did you know...*



Reading 15 minutes a day with your child means they'll have read over 500 hours together by kindergarten!



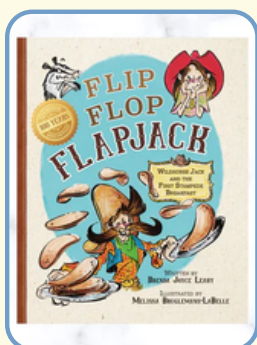
## 1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN

- Register for 1000 Books
- Sign in to Beanstalk
- Participate in the library's forest walk

For every 100 books your child gets to move an animal along our forest walk and pick out a trinket from our treasure box.



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EQUUS



**Flip Flop Flapjack**  
by Brenda Joyce Leahy

The wild and true story behind the 100-year-old tradition of the Calgary Stampede pancake breakfast — as told by the granddaughter of the legendary founder Wildhorse Jack. Yahoo!



**Mermaid and Pirate**  
By Tracey Baptiste

Glub glub... Aargh...

Mermaid and Pirate cannot understand each other. They speak different languages and come from different worlds. But they're quick to lend a hand, or a tail, when the sky grows stormy and waters get rough, and a friendship is born.

# Library Board

Summer has barely started and our library staff and board are already thinking about Fall and Winter programs. To help us with our planning we would love to hear your thoughts about our library programs and services in our annual survey.

The survey is available in a paper format at the library all of June or online at <https://forms.gle/W7JX6PvHLjnMNVwA6>

The survey should take no more than 5 minutes to fill out and it helps us greatly in deciding where we need to make adjustments or add more resources.

## FEEDBACK WANTED

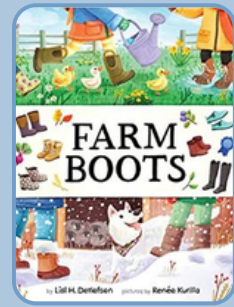


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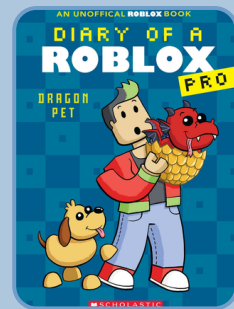
## WE NEED YOU

Our library board is still looking for 2 new members. Volunteers with the board help advise the library manager, share community information and help us plan for the future. We meet 9 times a year for an hour or two and you would have to spend a couple hours outside meetings reviewing documents or working on our projects. It is an easy way to give back to the library and be involved in the wider Carstairs community. If you'd like more information please contact our library manager Megan: [mginther@prl.ab.ca](mailto:mginther@prl.ab.ca) or 403-337-3943.



**Farm Boots**  
by Lisl H. Detlefsen

This fun picture book follows farm families as they work and play in a variety of boots throughout the year; against the backdrop of the four seasons, the boots form a metaphor for growth and change. This is just a fun way to explore all the things that happen on family farms year round.



**Dragon Pet**  
by Ari Avatar

Ari and his class visit a farm where they are entrusted with an egg to adopt. Everyone's egg hatches into harmless animals, except for Ari's. His hatches into a baby dragon! Cool, right? Wrong! As the dragon grows, Ari realizes he may have bitten off more than he can chew.



**Building Cool Minecraft Skyscrapers**

The world of Minecraft is for gamers to create, and a towering skyscraper might be the most impressive feat of all. In this guide, readers find great tips and tricks for making these huge buildings for their cities in the game. The main text includes connections to real-world engineering and other STEAM concepts, including coding and artistic flair to make each building their own.





# WALK THE BLOCK

Saturday, August 12th 1:00-3:30pm

**What is Walk the Block?**  
 A chance to discover community supports  
 A way to support local businesses  
 A place to register with local sports teams and clubs

**Who is it for?**  
 Anyone who lives in the Carstairs area

Mark your calendar to join the fun

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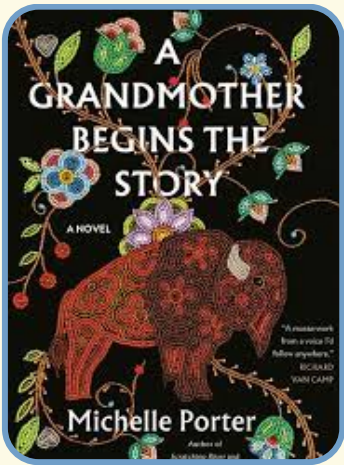


# CALL FOR VENDORS

Help us connect and support our community!

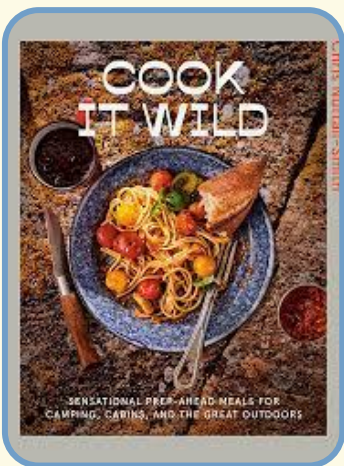
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| <p><b>How to participate?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Book a table along 10th Avenue</li> <li>• Provide information to hand out</li> <li>• Run an activity for kids, teens or adults</li> </ul> | <p><b>Who can be a vendor?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Businesses</li> <li>• Non-Profit &amp; Support organizations</li> <li>• Sports Teams and Local Clubs</li> <li>• Seniors organizations</li> </ul> |
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Contact the Carstairs Library to register  
 ccarr@prl.ab.ca 403-337-3943 



**A Grandmother Begins the Story**  
 by Michelle Porter

Five generations of Métis women argue, dance, struggle, laugh, love, and tell the stories that will sing their family, and perhaps the land itself, into healing in this brilliantly original debut novel. This extraordinary novel, told by a chorus of vividly realized, funny, wise, confused, struggling characters—including descendants of the bison that once freely roamed the land—heralds the arrival of a stunning new voice in literary fiction.



**Cook It Wild**  
 by Chris Nuttall-Smith

Say goodbye to ho-hum canned beans and freeze-dried camping meals. With prep-ahead recipes and field-tested advice, flavor-packed dishes such as herby lemon chicken and fire-baked sticky buns become deliciously doable and fuss-free—whether you're in the wilderness or your own backyard.

# Summer Fun!



## July 16 Beef'n'Barley Days

### Parade Volunteer

We need a few helpers to walk with our float and hand out candy for the parade. We are open to helpers of all ages you just need to be able to walk the whole parade route with us.

## August 12 Walk the Block

### Event Greeter

We would like a couple volunteers to help at our event tables to greet people, answer questions and hand out the event package so they can start collecting stamps. You'll also have the entry box for people to drop off their finished ballots in as they leave. We will provide orientation and training, we just need your enthusiasm.

### Contact:

Megan Ginther [mginther@prl.ab.ca](mailto:mginther@prl.ab.ca) or 403-337-3943 for more information or to sign up to volunteer.



### Silver Alert by Lee Smith

This funny and endearing novel of family, secrets, and aging follows an elderly man who heads off on a joyride with a new young friend—who may have some secrets of her own..

### Killing Moon by Jo Nesbo

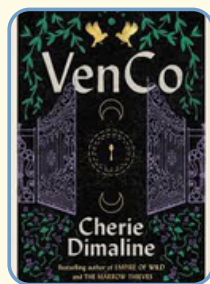
This killer will get inside your head. Brilliant rogue police investigator Harry Hole is back, this time as an outsider assembling his own team to help find a serial killer who is murdering young women in Oslo in the next novel in the New York Times best-selling series..



### VenCo

### by Cherie Dimaline

Lucky St. James, a Métis millennial living with her grandmother Stella, is barely hanging on. Then, one night, something strange and irresistible calls out to Lucky. She finds a silver spoon etched with a crooked-nosed witch and the word SALEM, humming with otherworldly energy.



## Available to borrow at the Carstairs Library

- Basketball
- Soccer Ball
- Rubber ball
- Gaga Ball
- Skipping ropes



**No library card required!**

Come and ask at the library front desk.

**COMMUNITY  
MOVIE  
NIGHT**

Seating starts at  
**9.30 pm**  
Movies will start when dark

Families and all welcome!  
CES School Park  
Bring your own chair.

All movies are weather dependent check our social media day of to confirm.

**Cash  
Concession**

Puss in Boots: The Last Wish June 30th  
Quantum Mania August 4th  
The Little Mermaid September 1st

# Summer for adults



**ADULT PROGRAM**

## RELAXED PAINTING

6 PM JULY 19TH  
CALL TO REGISTER

White wine if wanted!

A poster for a painting event. It features a wooden easel with a white canvas. On the canvas, the text 'RELAXED PAINTING' is written in large, bold letters. Below it, the date and time '6 PM JULY 19TH' and 'CALL TO REGISTER' are listed. To the left of the easel is a wine glass filled with red wine. A paintbrush is shown painting the word 'PAINTING'. The background is a scenic landscape with green hills and a blue sky.



## Blind Date with a Book

### Cabinet of Curiosity

July 1 to August 31

"To See What Awaits Us All In The Darkness"

Guillermo del Toro

Grand Prize!  
Get a prize entry for each book you read

A poster for a book club event. The title 'Blind Date with a Book' is written in a large, stylized font. Below it, the book 'Cabinet of Curiosity' by Guillermo del Toro is featured. The text 'July 1 to August 31' indicates the duration of the event. A quote from the book is included: '"To See What Awaits Us All In The Darkness"'. At the bottom, there is a stack of books and a small image of a book with a prize tag.



## Wood Working at the Library

**Adult Program**


July 29th @ 2pm

Carve a Swedish butter knife with expert David Delafield. Small Donations to cover costs/supplies are appreciated.

Call to Register

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A poster for a wood working event. It features a close-up image of a wooden butter knife. The text 'Wood Working at the Library' is at the top. Below it, the date and time 'July 29th @ 2pm' are listed. The main text describes the activity: 'Carve a Swedish butter knife with expert David Delafield. Small Donations to cover costs/supplies are appreciated.' At the bottom, there is a call to register and contact information for Carstairs Public Library.



## Rogue Justice

by Stacey Abrams

The #1 New York Times bestselling author of While Justice Sleeps returns with another riveting and intricately plotted thriller, in which a blackmailed federal judge, a secret court and a brazen murder may lead to an unprecedented national crisis.

A book cover for 'Rogue Justice' by Stacey Abrams. The cover features a man in a white shirt and dark pants running through a hallway with classical columns. The title 'ROGUE JUSTICE' is written in large, bold letters at the bottom.



## New School Macramé

by Terri Watson

In this book, fibre artist Terri Watson shares her new school approach to creating contemporary knotted macramé canvases, using just a few simple knots. Terri has been shaking up fibre traditions for years with her vertical clove hitch knot tapestries, choosing to explore an unprecedented style, and shaping an emergent fibre phenomenon.


A book cover for 'New School Macramé' by Terri Watson. The cover features a colorful macramé canvas with geometric patterns. The title 'NEW SCHOOL MACRAMÉ' is at the top, and the subtitle 'A CONTEMPORARY KNOTTING MANUAL FOR OVER 100 FRESH FIBRE PROJECTS' is below it.

## Seed Donations Wanted

Our seed library was so popular it's now a little sparse. If you have extra seeds left over after planting we would love to have them to add to our library for the coming year.



A poster for a seed donation drive. The title 'Seed Donations Wanted' is in large, bold letters. Below it, the text explains that the seed library is sparse and needs more seeds. There is an image of several seed packets, including one for 'YOWER' and another for 'MCKENZIE' with a sunflower. The background is a light blue and white striped pattern.



## CHECK it OUT

A graphic with the text 'CHECK it OUT' in a stylized, dotted font. A large black arrow points from the bottom left towards the text.



# Friends of the Carstairs Public Library



## NEXT MEETING

June 15  
7pm at the Library

### CONTACT US:

 [FRIENDSCARSTAIRSLIBRARY@GMAIL.COM](mailto:FRIENDSCARSTAIRSLIBRARY@GMAIL.COM)

 FRIENDS OF THE CARSTAIRS PUBLIC  
LIBRARY SOCIETY

 403-337-3943

### ALL ARE WELCOME

Our meetings are  
open to all and we  
have several ways  
you can volunteer  
with us



Mark  
YOUR  
Calendar

## Book Sales

June 4  
Heritage Days  
July 16  
Beef'n'Barley Days  
Aug 12  
Walk the Block

watch our FB  
for full details

### 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!

JULY 5TH AT 6PM



WANTED


## D&D5E ADVENTURERS


ADULT PROGRAM  
DROP IN



6:00 PM

THE 2ND OF AUGUST

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HAPPINESS IS HAVING  
YOUR OWN LIBRARY CARD!



# National Indigenous History Month Book List

#NIPD2023



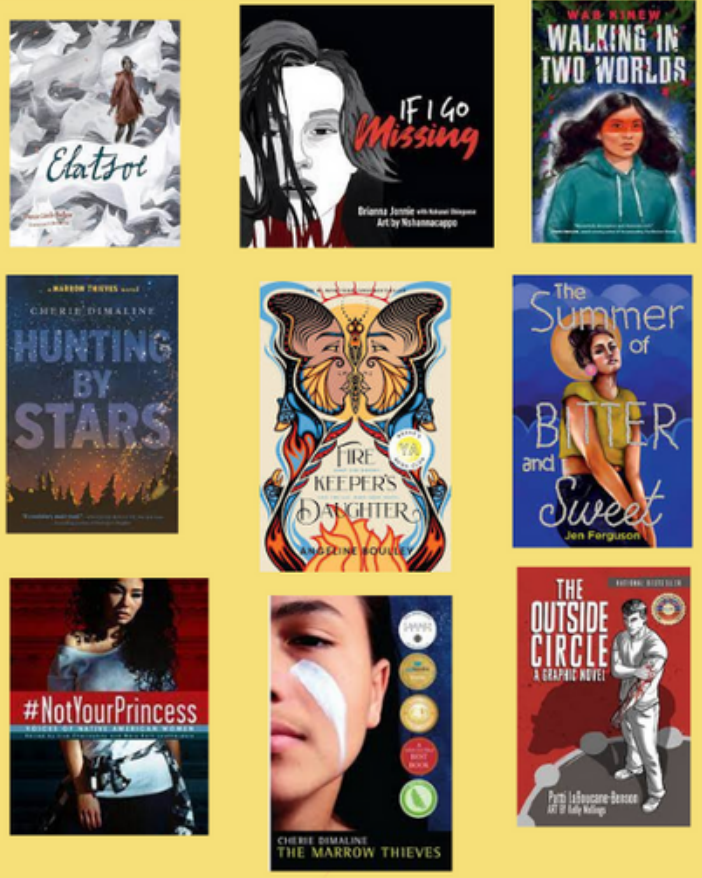
Remember the past and look to the future with these titles featuring Indigenous authors. Also stop by the library and pick up a copy of the family activity guide for NIHM 2023.



## ADULT TITLES



## FOR TEENS



## BOOKS FOR KIDS

