

# In the Know



## Program Guide

*September, October,  
November 2025*



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# HARVEST FESTIVAL **BOOK SALE**

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# About Us



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## Welcome from the CEO

I look forward to fall every year; return to school and cozy nights.

This fall, we are welcoming bestselling

author Shari Lapena on October 15, and beloved children's writer Ted Staunton on November 13.

You can stock up on books at our annual Harvest Festival Book Sale on October 4! Or, at the Winter Market on November 29, an event that features local vendors and authors.

Learn something new about the community we call home with heritage events this fall, including Celebrate Courtice History on October 2, the Heritage Fair on November 1, and the popular and spooky Spirit Walks in October.

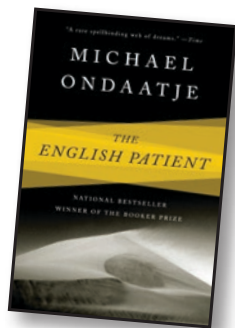
There are so many wonderful things happening at the CLMA and around Clarington, I hope you check them out!

Warmly,

Monika Machacek  
Chief Executive Officer  
Clarington Library, Museums & Archives

## What I'm Reading

Michael Ondaatje's 'The English Patient' is not a quick read, but definitely a rewarding one. The elegantly written story drifts between timelines and characters, gradually pulling you in until you're totally immersed. It's a Canadian classic that's been on my list for years and I'm glad I picked it up!



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# News & Events

## Counting Week

All library locations | Tue, Oct 14 to Mon, Oct 21

Show your support during our annual Counting Week! Drop into one of our libraries, check out items, attend a program, ask a question in person or online, use our mobile app, download an eBook, stream a movie, or engage with us on social media. It all counts!

Public libraries in Ontario are asked to capture a snapshot of library usage across the province during a typical week in October or November. The gathered anonymous data is vital in helping identify usage trends and opportunities for growth or new initiatives.



## Ontario Public Library Week

All library locations |  
Sun, Oct 19 -  
Sat, Oct 25

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

## Walk Together Towards Reconciliation: Beading Orange Shirt Pins

Bowmanville | Thu, Sep 11 | 6:30-7:30pm

Courtice | Thu, Sep 25 | 6:30-7:30pm

Adults, youth | **Registered**

Let's walk together towards reconciliation. Gain understanding about Orange Shirt Day, held on September 30, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, through beading orange shirt pins and sharing our truth. Presented with Bawaajigewin Aboriginal Circle.



## Diwali Celebration

Bowmanville | Sat, Oct 11 |  
10:30-11:30am

All ages | Drop in

Celebrate Diwali with stories and activities with your family, while learning

its significance and inner meaning. Presented by Sai Poguluru and Raji Raman, in partnership with the Cultural Association of Clarington (CAC).

## Celebrate Clarington Culture: Islamic History Month

Newcastle | Sun, Oct 19 | 2-3:30pm

All ages | Drop in

Celebrate and learn about Islamic Heritage Month with family activities, presentations, and a Q&A session. Presented with the Al Ikram Foundation.

## Islamic History Month Storytime

Bowmanville | Sat, Oct 25 | 10:30am-12:30pm

All ages | Drop in

Celebrate Islamic History Month and enjoy stories, colouring, crafts, and henna. Presented with the Muslim Women of Durham Region.



## Harvest Festival Book Sale

Newcastle | Sat, Oct 4 | 9am-4pm

Join us for our annual Harvest Festival Book Sale! Browse our selection of gently used materials to support CLMA and score some deals! Fill a CLMA bag for \$10!

Donations of materials, including books, DVDs, video games, etc. will be accepted at all locations

**Monday, September 22 to Thursday, October 2.**



## Customer Appreciation Day

All locations | Wed, Oct 22

Bowmanville, Courtice, Newcastle | 10am-6pm

Orono | 3-7:30pm

Sarah Jane Williams | 10am-4pm

We're celebrating you, our wonderful customers! Drop by any CLMA location for refreshments and activities!

## Repair Café

Courtice | Sat, Nov 22 | 12-3pm

Adults | **Registered**

Don't replace, repair! A Repair Café brings together people with broken items and volunteer fixers with skills and tools to share.



## Winter Market

Bowmanville | Sat, Nov 29 | 10am-2pm  
All ages | Drop in

Our annual Winter Market is back! Browse unique

gifts from a variety of local vendors and artisans. Plus meet local authors and discover great reads just in time for the holiday season!

# AMAZING AUTHORS!

## Michelle Good

Online | Tue, Sep 9 | 7-8pm  
Adults | **Registered**

Join us for a special conversation with Michelle Good, the award-winning author of 'Five Little Indians' and a member of the Red Pheasant Cree Nation in

Saskatchewan. Michelle will read from her latest work, 'Truth Telling: Seven Conversations about Indigenous Life in Canada', and share insights into her path to becoming a writer. Presented with the Public Libraries of York and Durham Region.



## Shari Lapena

Bowmanville | Wed, Oct 15 | 6:30-7:45pm

Adults | Drop in

Shari Lapena is the internationally bestselling author of eight books, including 'The Couple Next Door.' Shari will be discussing her recent release, 'She Didn't See It Coming', followed by a Q&A session.



## Ted Staunton

Bowmanville | Thu, Nov 13 | 10-11am

Grades 5-7 | Drop in; registered class visits welcome

Celebrate I Read Canadian Day with acclaimed children's author Ted Staunton! Ted has written over 60 books, including picture books, middle grade novels and YA books.





# Children's



## Pumpkin Patch Tales

Bowmanville | Sat, Sep 6, 20 |  
10:30-11:15am

Courtice | Sat, Sep 13, 27 |  
10:30-11:15am

Birth to age 5 | Drop in  
Enjoy fall-themed stories,  
songs, rhymes, and fun!

## Explore the Trail: Autumn Edition!

Courtice | Tue, Sep 23 | 5-6pm

All ages | **Registered**

Explore the Courtice Millennium Trail together  
with your family! Look for fall foliage, then  
enjoy a nature craft!

## Halloween Silhouette Art

Courtice | Tue, Oct 7 | 6-7pm

Grades 2-6 | **Registered** | \$5+tax

Create a spooky piece of Halloween décor  
using paper craft techniques and paint!

## Halloween Jam & Groove

Bowmanville | Wed, Oct 22 | 2-3pm

Ages 1½-5 | **Registered**

Children can sing, dance, play, and explore  
while enjoying Halloween-themed music  
and movement in this joyful learning  
experience!



## Halloween Hoot'n'Howl

Orono | Fri, Oct 24 |  
10:30-11:30am

Courtice | Sat, Oct 25 | 2-3pm

Bowmanville | Thu, Oct 30 |  
10:30-11:30am

Newcastle | Fri, Oct 31 |  
10:30-11:30am

All ages | Drop in

Wear your favourite costume  
and join us for spooktacular  
stories, songs, and chilling-  
but-cheerful activities!



## Green Screen: Halloween Edition

Courtice | Fri, Oct 31 |  
Drop in 11am-12pm |

**Registered** 4-5pm |  
All ages

Wear your favorite  
costume and come by the Maker's  
Space to learn about photography green screen  
editing using Adobe!

Photos will be emailed or copied to personal flash  
drives. Limit of four people per photo.



## Engineering Outreach Workshops

Boost your child's STEM skills with Ontario Tech University's Engineering Outreach!

### STEM

**Bowmanville | Sat, Sep 20 | 2-4pm**  
Grades 1-4 | **Registered**

**Newcastle | Sat, Nov 22 | 2-4pm**  
Grades 5-8 | **Registered**

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

### Coding

**Courtice | Sat, Oct 4 | 2-4pm**  
Grades 1-4 | **Registered**

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

## STEAM Workshop: Air Power!

**Courtice | Thu, Nov 13 | 6-7pm**  
Grades 3-6 | **Registered** | \$6+tax

Have fun designing your own car out of everyday materials, then power it up with air!

## Scientists in School Workshops

### Colour My World

**Newcastle | Wed, Oct 1 | 4-5pm**  
Grades SK-6 | **Registered**

Colour is everywhere! Use colour to watch water defy gravity, explore rainbows, and create a sun-catcher. Use chemistry to create new colours!

### Magical Science

**Courtice | Tue, Oct 28 | 4-5pm**  
Grades SK-6 | **Registered**

Discover a magical force that will levitate particles, scatter light and create illusions that will thrill your audience, and experiment with colourful teas and unusual potions on this magical science adventure!



## Children's: STEAM Fun

# P.A. DAY FUN!

### Friday, September 26

#### Get Creative!

**Courtice | 10:30-11:30am**  
Grades JK-6 | **Drop in**

Embrace your imagination! Create whatever you can dream up using everyday materials.

#### PA Day with Reptilia!

**Newcastle | 10:30-11:30am**  
Grades JK-6 | **Registered**

Dive in to the wild world of interesting and at-risk species in Ontario!

#### LEGO Blast

**Bowmanville | 11:30am-12:30pm**  
Grades JK-6 | **Drop in**

Build, explore, create, and put your skills to the test! Choose a challenge, then have fun creating a masterpiece!

#### Storytime Lunch

**Boston Pizza Bowmanville | 12-2pm**

**All ages | Registered**  
Settle in for a slice and a story! Enjoy a meal as we share fun stories, songs, and a side of imagination.

### Friday, October 24

#### Mad Scientists Laboratory

**Newcastle | 10:30-11:30am**  
Grades 2-6 | **Registered** | \$8+tax

Enjoy bubbly fun where we brew a magical potion and watch as ghosts disappear before our very eyes!

#### A Creepy Crawly Adventure

**Bowmanville | 11:30am-12:30pm**  
Grades JK-4 | **Drop in**

Beetles, bugs, and butterflies! Find out how cool and interesting insects really are with games, stories, and activities!

#### LEGO Lunch

**Boston Pizza Bowmanville | 12-2pm**  
**All ages | Registered**  
Build up an appetite! Drop by for lunch and construct your next great LEGO creation.

#### PA Day with Reptilia!

**Courtice | 2-3pm**  
Grades JK-6 | **Registered**  
Learn about responsible reptile pet ownership of some exotic species.

# Children's: Back to School

## Spelling Bee

Newcastle | Sat, Nov 8 | 10:30am-12:30pm

Grades 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 | **Registered**

A-W-E-S-O-M-E! Have fun putting your spelling skills to the test during CLMA's third annual spelling bee!



## Chess at the Library

Bowmanville | Mon, Oct 20 - Nov 17 | 5-6pm

Grades 1-7 | **Registered**

Learn the fundamental principles and basic concepts of chess through interactive activities and coaching sessions. This three-week workshop series is ideal for beginners. Presented with Clarington Chess Club.

## Kindergarten Readiness

Courtice | Thu, Sep 25 - Nov 20 (exc. Nov 6) | 2-3pm

Ages 3-5 | **Registered**

Build skills and confidence for entering kindergarten in this eight-week workshop! Through stories, songs, and activities, children will boost their letter and number recognition, colour recognition, fine motor, and social skills.

## Kids' Book Club

Courtice | Tue, Sep 9, Oct 14, Nov 11 | 4-5pm

Bowmanville | Wed, Sep 24, Oct 22, Nov 19 | 5-6pm

Grades 3-7 | **Registered**

Meet up with other readers to chat and share your thoughts about the month's book, then enjoy activities and games based on the story!



## Stay Safe with Dog Guides

Newcastle | Sat, Nov 1 | 10:30-11:30am

All ages | **Registered**

Learn how a puppy becomes a dog guide, the training involved, and the ways qualified dog guides help people lead better and fuller lives.

Meet and help the puppies in training, learn some new skills, and hear about the amazing life of a working dog and its handler! In partnership with Lion's Foundation Dog Guides.



## Homeschool Club

Courtice | Tue, Sep 16, Oct 14, Nov 11 | 1:30-2:30pm

All ages | **Drop in**

Explore different STEAM, literacy, geography, or art activities while building social skills and connections.

## Reading & Math Buddies

Courtice | Tue, Oct 14 - Dec 9 | 5-6pm

Newcastle | Wed, Oct 15 - Dec 10 | 6-7pm

Bowmanville | Thu, Oct 16 - Dec 11 (exc. Nov 6) | 4-5pm

Grades 1-5 | **Registered**

Practice reading and math skills through activities, games, and help from high school volunteers!

## Children's: Stories & Wellness

### Multilingual Storytimes

All ages | Drop in

Join us for stories, songs, and fun in different languages! All are welcome, no previous knowledge of the language is required.



**French Storytime |**  
*L'Heure du conte*

Bowmanville | Mon, Sep 15,  
Oct 20, Nov 10 | 10-10:30am



**Italian Storytime |**  
*L'Ora del Racconto*

Bowmanville | Sat, Sep 27 |  
11-11:45am



**Hindi & Urdu**  
**Storytime |**

اردو کہانی پروگرام

Bowmanville | Sat, Oct 4 |  
10:30-11:15am

Presented with EarlyON Child  
and Family Centres.



**Spanish Storytime |**  
*La Hora del Cuento*

Bowmanville | Mon, Oct 27 |  
10-10:30am



**Portuguese Storytime |**  
*Hora da História*

Bowmanville | Sat, Nov 22 |  
10:30-11:15am



### Saturdays at the Sarah Jane

**Sarah Jane Williams |**

Sat, Sep 6 - Nov 29 (exc. Oct 25,  
Nov 1) | 10:30-11:30am

All ages | Drop in

Explore ClaringTOWN, an  
interactive children's exhibit

space featuring an urban and rural  
townscape. Harvest crops, shop at the general store, or  
conduct business at the bank. With changing seasonal  
activities, there's always something new to try!

### Music & Movement

**English:** Courtice | Tue, Sep 9, 23, Oct 7, 21, Nov 4, 18 |  
1:30-2:30pm

**English:** Bowmanville | Tue, Oct 7 - Nov 25 | 1:30-2:30pm

**Français:** Bowmanville | Sat, Nov 8 | 10:30-11:30am

**Birth to age 6 | Drop in**

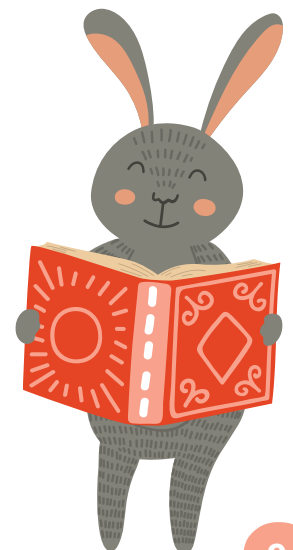
Build important early skills in your little ones with  
interactive songs, nursery rhymes, music, creative  
movement, and musical instruments. Parents and caregivers  
will learn how to make and incorporate music and musical  
instruments into your child's everyday play experiences  
while promoting a healthy lifestyle and intimate social  
bonds. Presented with EarlyON Child and Family Centres.

### Infant Hearing Screening Clinic

Newcastle | Thu, Sep 4, Oct 2, 16,  
30, Nov 13, 27 | 10am-5pm

**Birth to 2 months | Registered**

Sign up your infant for a  
screening if you have hearing-  
related concerns, and learn about  
the follow-up services available  
to your family. Presented in  
partnership with Markham  
Stouffville Hospital, the lead  
agency for the Tri-Regional Infant  
Hearing Program





# STORIES & LEARNING

\* = registered

|                                                                            | Bowmanville | Courtice | Newcastle | Orono | Sarah Jane |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|-----------|-------|------------|
| <b>Songs &amp; Stories</b>                                                 |             |          |           |       |            |
| <i><b>Baby Bookworms (birth to age 1½)</b></i>                             |             |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   Sep 2 - Nov 25 (exc. Sep 30)   10:30-11:15am             |             |          | ▲         |       |            |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Sep 3 - Nov 26   10:30-11:15am                         | ▲           |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Thursdays</b>   Sep 4 - Nov 27 (exc. Nov 6)   10:30-11:15am             |             | ●        |           |       |            |
| <i><b>Tales for Toddlers (ages 1½-3)</b></i>                               |             |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   Sep 2 - Nov 25 (exc. Sep 30)   10:30-11:15am             | ▲           |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Sep 3 - Nov 26   10:30-11:15am                         |             | ●        |           |       |            |
| <b>Thursdays</b>   Sep 4 - Nov 27 (exc. Nov 6)   10:30-11:15am             |             |          | ▲         |       |            |
| <i><b>Musical Babies (birth to pre-crawlers)</b></i>                       |             |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Mondays</b>   Sep 8 - Nov 24 (exc. Oct 13)   1:30-3pm                   |             | ●        |           |       |            |
| <b>Thursdays</b>   Sep 4 - Nov 27 (exc. Nov 6)   1:30-3pm                  |             |          | ▲         |       |            |
| <i><b>Musical Babies (crawlers to 15 months)</b></i>                       |             |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Mondays</b>   Sep 8 - Nov 24 (exc. Oct 13)   1:30-3pm                   |             |          | ▲         |       |            |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Sep 3 - Nov 26   1:30-3pm                              |             | ●        |           |       |            |
| <i><b>Music &amp; Movement (birth to age 6)</b></i>                        |             |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   Sep 9, 23, Oct 7, 21, Nov 4, 18   1:30-2:30pm            |             | ●        |           |       |            |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   Oct 7 - Nov 25   1:30-2:30pm                             | ▲           |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Socialization &amp; Family Time</b>                                     |             |          |           |       |            |
| <i><b>Stay &amp; Play (birth to age 5)</b></i>                             |             |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Mondays</b>   Sep 8 - Nov 24 (exc. Oct 13)   10:30-11:30 am             | ▲           |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Sep 3 - Nov 26   10:30-11:30 am                        |             |          |           |       | ●          |
| <b>Fridays</b>   Sep 5 - Nov 28 (exc. Sep 26 in Courtice)   10:30-11:30 am |             | ●        |           | ●     |            |
| <i><b>Saturdays at Sarah Jane (all ages)</b></i>                           |             |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Saturdays</b>   Sep 6 - Nov 29 (exc. Oct 25, Nov 1)   10:30-11:30am     |             |          |           |       | ●          |
| <b>Education &amp; Learning</b>                                            |             |          |           |       |            |
| <i><b>Kids' Book Club (grades 3-7)</b></i>                                 |             |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   Sep 9, Oct 14, Nov 11   4-5pm *                          |             | ●        |           |       |            |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Sep 24, Oct 22, Nov 19   5-6pm *                       | ▲           |          |           |       |            |
| <i><b>Homeschool Club (all ages)</b></i>                                   |             |          |           |       |            |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   Sep 16, Oct 14, Nov 11   1:30-2:30pm                     |             | ●        |           |       |            |

# PROGRAM SERIES

\* = registered

|                                                                         | Bowmanville | Courtice | Newcastle | Sarah Jane | Online |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|-----------|------------|--------|
| <b>Adult Programs</b>                                                   |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b><i>Community Employment Services</i></b>                             |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   Sep 2- Nov 25   1-4pm *                               |             |          | ▲         |            |        |
| <b><i>Waverley Place Tours</i></b>                                      |             |          |           | ▲          |        |
| <b>Thursdays</b>   Sep 4, 25, Nov 13, 27   6:30-7:30pm *                |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b><i>Book Club</i></b>                                                 |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   Sep 23, Oct 28, Nov 25   6-7pm *                      |             |          | ▲         |            |        |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Sep 24, Oct 29, Nov 26   12-1pm *                   | ▲           |          |           |            |        |
| <b><i>LEGO &amp; Lagers</i></b>                                         |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Sep 24, Oct 22, Nov 19   6-7:30   Chronicle Brewing |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Older Adult Health &amp; Wellness 55+</b>                            |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b><i>Zumba Gold</i></b>                                                |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Mondays</b>   Sep 8 - Nov 24 (exc. Oct 13)   6-6:45pm                |             |          | ▲         |            |        |
| <b><i>Chair Yoga</i></b>                                                |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Sep 3 - Nov 26 (exc. Oct 1)   4:30-5:30pm           |             |          | ▲         |            |        |
| <b><i>Falls Prevention Class</i></b>                                    |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Sep 3 - Nov 26   12-1pm                             |             |          | ▲         |            |        |
| <b>Fridays</b>   Sep 5 - Nov 28   3-4pm                                 |             |          | ▲         |            |        |
| <b>Newcomers</b>                                                        |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b><i>Newcomer Settlement Services</i></b>                              |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>   Sep 9 - Nov 25 (exc. Sep 30)   1:30-4:30pm *          | ▲           |          |           |            |        |
| <b><i>English Conversation Circle</i></b>                               |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Mondays</b>   Sep 15 - Dec 8 (exc. Oct 13)   6:30-7:30pm *           | ▲           |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Oct 15 - Dec 10   1:30-2:30pm *                     |             |          |           |            | ●      |
| <b>Youth Programs</b>                                                   |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b><i>TAG (Teen Advisory Group, grades 7-12)</i></b>                    |             |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>   Sep 10, Oct 8, Nov 12   3:30-4:30pm *               | ▲           |          |           |            |        |
| <b>Fridays</b>   Sep 12, Oct 17, Nov 21   3:30-4:30pm *                 |             | ▲        |           |            |        |



# Adults

## Older Adult Health & Wellness

Newcastle | Adults 55+ | Drop in

All classes suitable for any fitness level, no experience required. Presented with Community Care Durham.

### Zumba Gold

Mon, Sep 8 - Nov 24  
(exc. Oct 13) | 6-6:45pm  
Get fit with low impact movements and music.

### Chair Yoga

Wed, Sep 3 - Nov 26  
(exc. Oct 1) | 4:30-5:30pm  
Increase your flexibility and relaxation for mind and body.

### Falls Prevention Class

Wed, Sep 3 - Nov 26 | 12-1pm  
Fri, Sep 5 - Nov 28 | 3-4pm  
Improve balance and posture with exercises that increase your lower body and core strength.

## Mythbusters on Perimenopause: What You Really Need to Know

Bowmanville | Wed, Sep 17 | 6:30-7:30pm  
Adults | **Registered**

This candid, science-backed session tackles the most common myths about menopause. From hot flashes to hormone therapy, break down the truths, bust the taboos, and get the tools to take charge of your health. Presented with Jess Johnston, nurse practitioner, Menopause Society certified provider, Durham Natural Health Centre.

## Understanding AI: Benefits, Risks & Everyday Power

Courtice | Wed, Oct 15 | 5-6pm  
Adults | **Registered**

Explore how AI works, the benefits it offers, and the ethical concerns you should be aware of. Plus, enjoy a live demonstration of ChatGPT—your personal assistant for writing, planning, learning, and more. Find the clarity and confidence to engage with AI wisely and creatively.

## Mental Health Matters

Online | Thu, Oct 30 | 2-4pm  
Adults | **Registered**

Mental health and well-being greatly affects the quality of our daily lives, and our ability to be productive and maintain healthy relationships. This virtual workshop will provide a forum to share while exploring ways to stay mentally healthy, and when and how to seek professional help when needed. Presented with Social Service, IEHSD, Regional Municipality of Durham.

## Managing Anger

Bowmanville | Mon, Oct 20 - Nov 24 | 3-4:15pm  
Adults | **Registered**

Explore the emotion of anger and how it impacts us and our relationships, along with the physical impact on our body. This six-week workshop session is filled with practical wisdom and techniques. Presented with Ontario Shores for Mental Health Sciences.





### FOR NEWCOMERS

#### Newcomer Settlement Services

Bowmanville | Tue, Sep 9 - Nov 25  
(exc. Sep 30) | 1:30-4:30pm

Adults | **Registered**

Find confidential, culturally sensitive information and referral services. The Orientation Settlement Program provides information on housing, social assistance, childcare, language classes, education, legal services, financial supports, and more. Presented with Community Development Council Durham.

#### English Conversation Circle

Bowmanville | Mon, Sep 15 - Dec 8  
(exc. Oct 13) | 6:30-7:30pm

Online | Wed, Oct 15 - Dec 10 | 1:30-2:30pm

Adults | **Registered**

Practice speaking English, discover ESL resources, and learn more about the Clarington community and life in Canada! Presented with Community Development Council Durham.

#### Community Employment Services

Newcastle | Tue, Sep 2 - Nov 25 | 1-4pm

Adults | **Registered**

Get professional assistance with resumes and cover letters, find job search support and employment counselling, and gain valuable interview skills practice and advice. Presented with Durham College Community Employment Services.

#### Computer Basics

**Mouse & Keyboard Skills:** Fri, Sep 19 | 2-3pm

**Web Search Skills:** Fri, Oct 3 | 2-3pm

**Email Skills:** Fri, Oct 10 | 2-3pm

Courtice | Adults | **Registered**

Brush up your basic computer skills in these beginner-friendly classes.



#### Financial Workshops

Presented with Jaituni Desai and Aamir Amla, FSRA Licensed Financial Professionals.

##### *Budgeting 101*

Bowmanville | Wed, Sep 24 | 6:30-7:30pm

Adults | **Registered**

Take control of your finances and plan for a stronger future! Learn how to create a budget that works, manage your spending, and build healthy money habits.

##### *Building Savings & Wealth*

Bowmanville | Wed, Nov 19 | 6:30-7:30pm

Adults | **Registered**

Explore how to grow your savings, invest wisely, and secure long-term financial freedom, perfect for those just starting out or looking to strengthen their financial knowledge.

#### Mixed Roots Workshop: Sharing the Experience of Raising Biracial Children

Bowmanville | Sat, Nov 1 | 10:30am-12pm

Adults, Grades 1-6 | **Registered**

Raising a bi-racial child can come with unique challenges, such as navigating different cultural and societal expectations. This workshop will provide a safe and supportive space for parents to connect, share, and grow together. Presented with Durham Family & Cultural Centre.

#### Mobile ID and Benefits Access Hub

Bowmanville | Wed, Oct 8 | 1-6pm

Adults | **Drop in**

This one-stop-shop helps residents access government ID and income-boosting benefits, including the Canada Learning Bond, opening a RESP, accessing ID like Social Insurance Numbers and Birth Certificates, and learning about the new Canadian Dental Care Plan and other benefits. Presented with the Regional Municipality of Durham and Service Canada.

## Adults: Socials & Making

### Film Screenings

#### *WaaPaKe (Tomorrow)*

Bowmanville | Mon, Sep 22 | 1-2:30pm

Adults | Drop in

For generations, the suffering of residential school survivors has radiated outward, impacting Indigenous families and communities. Dr. Jules Arita Koostachin's deeply personal documentary *WaaPaKe (Tomorrow)* invites viewers to unravel the tangled threads of silence and unite in collective freedom and power. (National Film Board of Canada | 2023 | 80 min)

#### *A Return to Memory*

Bowmanville | Mon, Nov 10 | 1-3pm

Adults | Drop in

During World War II, with men engaged elsewhere in the war effort, hundreds of women pursued careers at the newly formed National Film Board. These pioneering women made movie history, creating work that spoke to the world with a distinctive Canadian voice. (National Film Board of Canada | 2024 | 116 min)

### Learn to Knit

Bowmanville | Tue, Sep 16 -

Nov 11 (exc. Sep 30) |

6:15-7:45pm

Adults | **Registered** | \$56+tax

Relax, build your skills, or finally tackle that neglected stitching project! Learn how to knit from an expert in this eight-week workshop series, and get social with a group of like-minded crafters. Presented with Gwen Bevan.



### LEGO & Lagers

Chronicle Brewing (422 Lake Rd, Bowmanville)

Wed, Sep 24, Oct 22, Nov 19 | 6-7:30pm

Adults | Drop in

Kick back and relax with a drink, some friends, and of course, LEGO! Drop by for a casual evening of socialization and construction. Presented with Chronicle Brewing



### Gardening Workshops

Presented with the Newcastle Gardening Club

#### *Fall Gardening*

Newcastle | Wed, Oct 1 | 10:30-11:30am

Adults | **Registered**

Find out why fall is a great time for gardening. Learn why many experts say it's the best time to plant trees and shrubs, divide perennials, collect seeds, and get your lawn ready for spring!

#### *Indoor Gardening with Houseplants*

Newcastle | Wed, Oct 15 | 10:30-11:30am

Adults | **Registered**

As temperatures plummet, it's time to take your passion for gardening indoors! Get tips on light requirements, watering, and pest control, and learn which houseplants are sure to thrive.

### DIY Workshops

#### *Doorway Welcome Sign*

Newcastle | Wed, Sep 17 | 1:30-3:30pm

Adults | **Registered** | \$15+tax

Create a personalized welcome sign for your front porch or entry way!

#### *Autumn Mantel Sign*

Newcastle | Wed, Oct 8 | 6-7:30pm

Adults | **Registered** | \$12+tax

Paint a custom mantel or table top sign to decorate for autumn!



### Book Club

Newcastle | Tue, Sep 23,  
Oct 28, Nov 25 | 6-7pm

Bowmanville | Wed, Sep 24,  
Oct 29, Nov 26 | 12-1pm

Adults | **Registered**

Enjoy conversation with fellow readers at our monthly book clubs! Titles will be posted on our website, and available for pickup at your preferred library location.

## Heritage Speaker Series

[cplma.ca/speakerseries](http://cplma.ca/speakerseries)

### *Larry Bryan:* *Local War Heroes*

Waverley Place |  
Sat, Sep 6 | 2:30-3:30pm  
Adults | **Registered**

Discover local war heroes and the on-going efforts to keep their legacies alive today. Mr. Bryan is a veteran, Legion member, and local military historian with 30 years experience researching local war heroes to recognize their important contributions to our country.

### *Judith Clapperton:* *Local Author*

Sarah Jane Williams |  
Sat, Nov 15 | 2:30-3:30pm  
Adults | **Registered**

Join Judith Clapperton, author of "Had They But Known Her," as she reads from her book on Olive Wilmot and hosts a Q&A. The book arose from an article in the Newcastle Village & District Historical Society newsletter about Ms. Wilmot, which alluded to a mystery surrounding her untimely demise in 1903.

## Spirit Walks

Sarah Jane Williams |  
Thu, Oct 16, 23, 30 | 6:30-7:30pm  
Adults | **Registered** | \$10+tax

Join CLMA on our famous evening tours where we share eerie and unexplained stories of historic Bowmanville!

## Celebrate Courtice History

[cplma.ca/courticehistory](http://cplma.ca/courticehistory)

Courtice | Thu, Oct 2 | 4-8pm  
All ages | Drop in

Join us at the Courtice Community Complex to celebrate the unique history of Courtice with displays and guest speakers. Let us know if you have an item related to Courtice history! Presented with Courtice Rotary, Municipality of Clarington 55+, and the Courtice Vintage History Group.

## Waverley Place Tours

Sarah Jane Williams |  
Thu, Sep 4, 25, Nov 13, 27 |  
6:30-7:30pm  
All ages | **Registered**

Join us for tours of Waverley Place, a historic home furnished and exhibited to depict the Edwardian period (1900-1930s) and lifestyle of a wealthy merchant family in this area.



## Adults: Heritage

## Heritage Fair

Bowmanville | Sat, Nov 1 |  
1:30-3:30pm

All ages | Drop in

Explore your local heritage organizations! See what Clarington and beyond has to offer and get a glimpse at upcoming heritage events. Drop in to meet with local vendors, see displays, and hear brief presentations!

## Newcastle Walking Tour

Newcastle | Sat, Oct 25 |  
10-11am

Adults | **Registered** | \$10+tax

Lace up your shoes! Explore Newcastle's downtown, share stories of notable buildings and people, and end the tour with a presentation by the Newcastle Village & District Historical Society.

## Paranormal Paint Night

Sarah Jane Williams |  
Thu, Oct 9 | 6-7:30pm  
Adults | **Registered** | \$15+tax

Enjoy a frighteningly fun evening! Get inspired by a special mini Spirit Walk tour

before being guided in a ghostly paint night.

**Note:** Participants are required to bring their own thrifted art; paint and brushes will be provided.



## Adults: Collections & Resources

### Community Resources

#### *Housing Support Services*

Bowmanville | Tue, Sep 2 - Nov 25 | 9:30am-12pm  
Adults | Drop in

The John Howard Society of Durham Region (JHSD) caseworkers will provide housing outreach, support with eviction prevention, and assistance with forms and referrals.

#### *Ontario Disability Support Program*

Bowmanville | Mon, Sep 8 - Nov 24 | 10am-1pm  
Newcastle | Thu, Sep 4, 18, Oct 2, 16, 30, Nov 13, 27 | 10am-1pm

Adults | Drop in

Funding to help you and your eligible family members with living expenses, health benefits, and employment support.

#### *Durham Community Health Centre's Hepatitis C Outreach Program*

Bowmanville | Fri, Sep 26, Oct 24, Nov 28 | 10am-11:30am  
Adults | Drop in

Free education, testing, and treatment through a test-to-treat model using mobile units.



## CURIOUS COMMUNITIES

### Library Card Discount Program

[cplma.ca/curiouscommunities](http://cplma.ca/curiouscommunities)

Explore the many benefits of your CLMA card! Your card grants you access to a treasure trove of collections, programs, and resources, and now savings while supporting your local business community! Show your library card at participating partners in Clarington and receive a special offer or discount.



## LIBRARY OF THINGS

[cplma.ca/libraryofthings](http://cplma.ca/libraryofthings)

### *NEW: SMART Watershed Backpacks*

Assist Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority (CLOCA) with their environmental monitoring of local watersheds! Borrow a backpack with everything you need to gather valuable environmental data.

### *NEW: Cricut Joy*

Get creative! Each kit contains a Cricut Joy machine and an assortment of tools to design and create stickers, labels, cards, and more! (Materials not included.)

### *NEW: Sewing Machines*

Borrow a Singer sewing machine and get creative making your own projects! An assortment of tools is provided, as well as a handy list of CLMA resources for inspiration! (Materials not included.)

### *Autumn Adventures*

Get outside and enjoy the fall weather with your CLMA's Library of Things! Discover the stars with **telescopes**, capture your adventures on a **GoPro camera**, explore with a **Back2Nature hiking kit**, or enjoy local attractions with **Community Passes** to Reptilia, ROM, Canadian Auto Museum, and more!

### *Reading & Book Clubs*

Borrow a **Teen Book Bag** with five unique YA fiction, non-fiction, and graphic novels, or start your own book club with **Book Club in a Bag** for adults and kids! Each kit comes with multiple copies of the title and discussion questions to guide your conversation!





# Youth

## Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

[cplma.ca/volunteer](http://cplma.ca/volunteer)

Bowmanville | Wed, Sep 10, Oct 8,  
Nov 12 | 3:30-4:30pm

Courtice | Fri, Sep 12, Oct 17, Nov 21 |  
3:30-4:30pm

Grades 7-12 | **Registered**

Assist with events and program preparation, learn leadership skills and more while earning your community volunteer hours.

## Babysitting Course

Newcastle | Sat, Sep 27 | 10:15am-4:45pm

Courtice | Sat, Nov 15 | 10:15am-4:45pm

Grades 6-10 | **Registered** | \$66+tax

Learn the fundamental skills you need to start your own babysitting service with a Red Cross certified instructor. Presented with React Right Safety Services.

## At Home on My Own

Newcastle | Sat, Oct 18 | 10:30am-2:30pm

Grades 5-7 | **Registered** | \$66+tax

Gain the tools and information you need to stay at home alone for short periods of time with a Red Cross certified instructor in this Canadian Safety Council course. Presented with React Right Safety Services.

## D&D League

Courtice | Mon, Sep 29 - Nov 10 (exc. Oct 13) | 4-5:30pm

Grades 8-12 | **Registered**

Join a quest and explore the world of Dungeons & Dragons, no previous gaming experience required! Presented with volunteer Dungeon Master Adam Vollering.

## DIY Pop Sockets

Courtice | Wed, Nov 5 | 4-5pm

Grades 7-12 | **Registered** | \$5+tax

Craft your own custom pop sockets for your phone!





# Maker's Space

## Laser Lab: Garden Stake

Courtice | Wed, Nov 5 | 5-7pm

Adults, youth | **Registered** | \$10+tax



Design a wooden garden stake to commemorate a special place, event, or person. Cut or engrave a phrase or photo onto wood using the Glowforge Laser cutter. Materials supplied.

## Cricut Corner: Label Creation

Courtice | Wed, Sep 3 | 5-7pm

Adults, youth | **Registered** | \$5+tax

Create custom labels for kids' items, water bottles, mason jars, storage totes, and more. Personalize these waterproof vinyl stickers with your own photos!



## CUSTOM CREATIONS

[cplma.ca/makersspace](http://cplma.ca/makersspace)

Book time with the Maker's Space staff for your own custom project! Learn how to operate the Cricut or Glowforge, make some repairs with the sewing machine, or craft a 3D print! The possibilities are endless!

## Green Screen: Halloween Edition

Courtice | Fri, Oct 31 | Drop in 11am-12pm |

**Registered** 4-5pm | All ages

Wear your favorite costume and come by the Maker's Space to learn about photography green screen editing using Adobe!

Photos will be emailed or copied to personal flash drives. Limit of four people per photo.

## 3D Modelling for Beginners

Courtice | Wed, Sep 17 | 5-6:30pm

Grades 4+ | **Registered**

With step-by-step support, learn how to create unique 3D models in TinkerCAD that are ready to go to the printer!

## Platformer Game Development

Courtice | Wed,

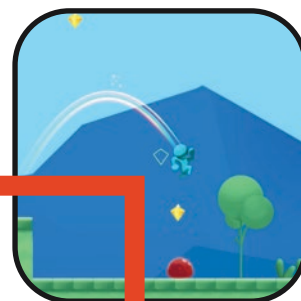
Nov 19 | 5-7pm

Adults, youth |

**Registered**

Dive into the world of game development and bring your own

Mario-style platformer to life! In this hands-on experience, you'll learn the fundamentals of the Unity Game Engine and C# programming while designing and building your very own playable game from scratch.







# WINTER MARKET

Bowmanville Library  
Saturday, November 29, 10am-2pm

Discover one-of-a-kind finds and gifts!

*cplma.ca/  
wintermarket*



Clarington Library  
Museums & Archives



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163 Church St | 905-623-7322



**Courtice Library**  
2950 Courtice Rd | 905-404-0707



**Newcastle Library**  
150 King Ave E | 905-987-4844



**Orono Library**  
127 Church St | 905-983-5507



**Sarah Jane Williams Museum**  
62 Temperance St | 905-623-2734

**Waverley Place Museum**  
37 Silver Street | 905-623-2734

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## Make an Impact

[cplma.ca/donations](http://cplma.ca/donations)

Donations to CLMA help us to provide valued programs, services, and resources to all Clarington community members

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| <b>Sat</b> | 9:30am - 5pm  | 10am - 5pm    | 10am - 5pm    | 10am - 2:30pm | 10am - 4pm |
| <b>Sun</b> | 12:30pm - 5pm | 12:30pm - 5pm | 12:30pm - 5pm | -             | -          |

## All Locations Closed:

[cplma.ca/locations](http://cplma.ca/locations)

- **Labour Day** (Mon, Sep 1)
- **Thanksgiving** (Mon, Oct 13)
- **Staff Professional Development Day** (Thu, Nov 6)

## Maker's Space Hours (Courtice):

[cplma.ca/makersspace](http://cplma.ca/makersspace)

- **Tue:** 12-8pm
- **Wed:** 12-4pm | 5-8pm
- **Thu:** 12-8pm
- **Fri:** 10am-6pm
- **Sat:** 10am-12pm | 1-5pm
- **Sun, Mon:** Closed