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## Message from the Chief Librarian

Mark Williams

In honour of Neil Pasricha's *The Book of Awesome*, our 2018 One Book One Milton selection, Milton Public Library has been celebrating things that are awesome all autumn long. One of which was our first Food for Fines campaign, held in the first week of October, when MPL forgave outstanding fines in exchange for donations of non-perishable food items to benefit the Salvation Army Food Bank. Following the success of this campaign, we will be running similar campaigns in the future, because giving is indeed awesome. Our awesome festivities will culminate in An Evening with Neil Pasricha on December 17. We hope to see you there.

If you are looking for a way to support the Milton Public Library, consider joining the Friends of Milton Public Library. The Friends fundraise for special projects for MPL and their mandate is to build a Legacy Fund of \$100,000 for MPL over 3 years. The Legacy Fund will generate annual income, which will be used to benefit the MPL community. You can find out more about the Friends of the Milton Public Library at [www.mpl.on.ca/friends-of-the-library](http://www.mpl.on.ca/friends-of-the-library) or by visiting their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/FriendsofMiltonPublicLibrary/](https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofMiltonPublicLibrary/)

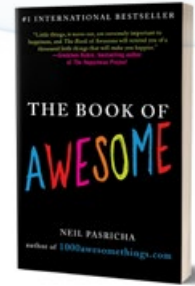
### Take a Peek Inside for More!

- Children's Programs
- Fun For All Ages
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- Adult Programs
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- Community Resources

## An evening with Neil Pasricha

Spend an awesome evening with one of Canada's most charismatic speakers and advocate of positive thinking and life's simple pleasures, **Neil Pasricha**, as he takes to the stage to discuss his #1 international bestselling book, *The Book of Awesome*, on **December 17**.

To purchase tickets to this exclusive evening, participate in related programs happening September through December, and to borrow or download *The Book of Awesome*, please visit [www.OneBookOneMilton.ca](http://www.OneBookOneMilton.ca).



## Steelman: Music & History

FREE

You may have heard the music of the steelman, but you may not realize the sweet melodies were founded from a history of oppression, pain and violence. Join Dejehan "Luckystickz" Hamilton, Canada's first steelman player to graduate from the prestigious Berklee College of Music, as he takes us on a journey in this melodic black history presentation. Suitable for all ages.

Register online or in-person beginning January 14. Space is limited.  
**Saturday, February 16 3:00-4:00 pm** Beaty Branch

## Laurier Milton Lecture Series 2018-2019 Season

Milton Public Library, Wilfrid Laurier University, and the Town of Milton are proud to present the ninth annual Laurier Milton Lecture Series. These lectures offer an excellent opportunity to meet and engage locally with Laurier academics on a variety of interesting and important topics. The 2018-19 lineup showcases a range of research and analysis from a number of faculties, departments, and programs.

**Wed Dec 12**  
**What Outdoor Skating Rinks Teach Us About Climate Change**  
Dr. Robert McLeman, Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, Faculty of Arts

**Wed Jan 9**  
**The Role of Allies in Canada's Reconciliation: A Few Thoughts**  
Erin Hodson, Laurier's Indigenous Curriculum Specialist

**Wed Feb 20**  
**From The Nucleus To The Stars**  
Dr. Shohini Ghose, Department of Physics and Computer Science, Faculty of Science

**FREE** Lectures take place monthly, on Wednesday evenings, at **FirstOntario Arts Centre Milton**

7:00-8:30 pm. No registration required. *For more details, please visit [www.mpl.on.ca/using-the-library/adults](http://www.mpl.on.ca/using-the-library/adults) for further details and to register.*

*This series is a partnership between:*



# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

## REGISTER FOR OUR WINTER PROGRAMS

Online at [www.mpl.on.ca](http://www.mpl.on.ca) (library card required) or in-person at an "Ask Us" desk.

Registration dates outlined below, if applicable. Space is limited. Programs are free, unless otherwise indicated.



### LEGO® Family Drop-in\*

Come with friends, or make new ones, and use your imagination to create things with LEGO®. All LEGO® is provided.

**Jan 10-Feb 28**

**Thursdays 4:00-5:00 pm, Beaty Branch**

### Alphabet Play Drop-in\*

(Ages 2-5)

Stories, songs, crafts, and a different letter each week. Stay and play afterwards with early literacy activities.

**Jan 8-Mar 1**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays**

11:00 am, Beaty Branch

**Fridays 10:30 am, Main Library**

### P.A. Day with Pete!

(all are welcome; best suited for ages 3-7)

Join us for an exciting Pete the Cat themed storytime. We'll read, sing, laugh, and have so much fun! Participants will have a chance to win 4 tickets to "Pete the Cat: The Musical" at the FirstOntario Arts Centre Milton on Feb. 27th.

**Fri Feb 1 2:00-2:45 pm Main Library**

Register online or in person, beginning Jan. 14

Program	Age	Day/Time	Location
<b>Registered Storytimes (Jan 7 - Mar 1)</b> Register online or in-person beginning Nov. 19 at 9:30am (first come, first served). Space is limited. One program per child please. Join us for a shared child and caregiver experience while getting your child ready for reading! Enjoy stories, rhymes, songs, and finger plays.			
<b>Babytime</b>	0-11 mos	<b>Mon</b> 10:00 am <b>Thurs</b> 10:45 am	Main
		<b>Thurs</b> 10:15 am <b>Fri</b> 11:00 am	Beaty
<b>One Is Wonderful</b>	12-23 mos	<b>Mon</b> 10:45 am <b>Tues</b> 10:00 am	Main
		<b>Fri</b> 10:15 am	Beaty
<b>Tales for Twos</b>	24-35 mos	<b>Wed</b> 10:00 am <b>Thurs</b> 10:00 am	Main
		<b>Tues</b> 10:15 am <b>Wed</b> 10:15 am	Beaty
<b>Preschool Storytime</b>	3-5 yrs	<b>Wed</b> 10:45 am <b>Thurs</b> 10:45 am	Main
		<b>Wed</b> 11:00 am	Beaty

### Children's Drop-in Storytimes\* (year round)

<b>Family Storytime</b>	0-6 yrs	<b>Saturdays</b> 10:15 am	Main & Beaty
<b>Wee Reads</b> ( <i>NEW TIME IN DEC</i> )	6-23 mos	<b>Thursdays</b> 1:30 pm†	Beaty
<b>Shake, Rattle &amp; Read</b>	2-4 yrs	<b>Tuesdays</b> 1:15 pm	Beaty

\*Stamps available 15 mins before each program. Parental supervision required.



### Crafting with Elves Drop-in\*

(Ages 3+)

Come create a holiday craft with the help of our Teen Advisory Group (TAG) Elves.

**Sat Dec 8 1:30-3:30 pm, Beaty Branch**

### Reindeer Games Training Camp

(Ages 8-12)

Think you have what it takes to escape Rudolph's room before he gets back from Reindeer Games training? Follow the clues and solve the puzzles to get out of the room before time is up!

**Sat Dec 15 2:00-2:45 pm, Main Library**

Registration begins **Nov 26** (space is limited)



## READ IT!

### Kids Book Club

(Ages 8+)

If you have read, or are interested in reading **ANY** of the book(s) prior to the program date, then join us for a fun discussion and activity. Register online or in-person beginning **Dec 1** for each week of interest.

**Wednesdays 4:00-5:30 pm Beaty Branch**

**Dec 12:** *Phoebe and her Unicorn* by Dana Simpson (**any book from this series**)

**Jan 16:** *The Tale of Despereaux* by Kate DiCamillo

**Feb 13:** *The Creature of the Pines (Unicorn Rescue Society book #1)* by Adam Gidwitz

# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



## Build a Video Game with Bloxels

(Ages 8-12 years)

Bloxels is a hands-on way to create video games using building blocks and iPads. Join us as we work together to design our very own video games!

**Wed Jan 2** 2:30-4:30 Main Library

Register online beginning Dec 14 (space is limited).



## 3D Colouring (Ages 8-12)

Join us for 3D colouring using Quiver. Colour your image, scan it with a device, and watch your image come alive. Register online beginning Dec 20 (space is limited).

**Sat Jan 12**

1:30-2:15 pm **OR** 2:30-3:15  
Main Library

Please note: We kindly ask that you only register for ONE time slot.

## Celebrate Family Literacy Day

with a special visit from

# DOG MAN

Children & their caregivers are invited to celebrate Family Literacy Day at the Beaty Branch. Enjoy stories, songs, activities, a scavenger hunt, photo booth fun, and crafts! And don't forget to snap some pics with the one and only Dog Man.

**Sat Jan 26** 10:00 am - 12:00 pm,  
Beaty Branch (drop-in)



## MCRC Parent Child Mother Goose Program

(Ages 0-12 months and their caregivers)

**Please Note:** Alternate arrangements must be made for older siblings as this program is for infant and parent only.



Parents, you are the first and most powerful influence on your child's learning, development, and well-being. This group provides valuable time to connect with your baby as you sing-a-long to songs and expand on early literacy and language through repetition and memory. Led by a Registered Early Childhood Educator from Milton Community Resource Centre.

**Wednesdays**

**Dec 5-Feb 27** 1:30-2:30 pm  
Main Library (drop-in)



**Thursdays**

**Dec 6 - Feb 28** 2:30-3:30 pm  
Beaty Branch (drop-in)

\*Please note that classes will not run Dec 26 or Dec 27



## Leading to Reading

**Leading to Reading: Readers Needed** (Grades 1-4)

Is your child a reluctant reader? Do they avoid reading or reading aloud to you? Support your child's reading skills as they read one-on-one with a teen volunteer and play fun learning-based games. Sessions will take place on Tuesdays from **Jan 15-Feb 26** from 7:00-8:00 pm at Beaty Branch.

Applications due Nov 13-Dec 18

## FUN FOR ALL AGES



## Hogwarts School of Witchcraft & Wizardry

Come and celebrate Harry Potter Book Night with us at the Main Library as we enjoy a variety of fun Potter-themed activities.

**Thurs Feb 7** 6:30-8:00 (Main)

All ages are welcome. No registration required. (Drop-in)

## An Afternoon of Astronomy

Join MPL and the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada for an afternoon of astronomy. Learn about the night skies and even try out some telescopes!

**Sat Feb 9**

2:00-3:30 pm, Main Library  
Please register online or in-person beginning January 7, 2019.



# TWEEN & TEEN PROGRAMS



## Prism Book Club

(Ages 13-18)

Join us once a month for this LGBTQ+ drop-in. Talk about your favourite books, movies, and TV shows, check out our rainbow collection, make some buttons, hang out and eat some snacks. LGBTQ+ youth and allies welcome.

**Tuesdays Dec 11, Jan 8, Feb 5**  
3:00-4:30 pm Main Library

## Creative Writing Club

(Ages 11-17)

Love to write? Bring your ideas to this drop-in program and work on your stories! Meet other young authors, practice your craft, share ideas get feedback, and immerse yourself in the written word! Original stories and fanfiction welcome. Some laptops provided, please bring your own device.

**Thursdays Dec 6, Jan 3, Feb 7**  
3:00-4:30 pm Main Library

Program	Age	Day/Time	Location
Register for our winter programs online at <a href="http://www.mpl.on.ca">www.mpl.on.ca</a> (library card required) or in-person at an "Ask Us" desk. Space is limited! Programs are free, unless otherwise indicated.			
<b>Guess that Book: Emoji Edition</b> We describe popular holiday reads using emojis, and you try to guess which ones we mean. Enter for the chance to win a prize!	10-17 yrs	<b>Dec 4 - Jan 2</b>	Main & Beaty
<b>Exam Cram</b> Let us help you prepare for your exams. Drop by the library for study space and take a study break with games, giant colouring tables, and perhaps, even some furry friends.	Gr. 9-12	<b>January 23-30</b>	Main & Beaty
<b>Intro to Dungeons and Dragons</b> Learn how to play this iconic RPG. We'll provide the supplies, you bring the enthusiasm. Hosted by The Dragon.	10-17 yrs	<b>Mon Jan 14 4:00-5:00</b>	Main
<b>Mindfulness Journaling + Yoga</b> Refresh and relax with a yoga session at the Milton Leisure Centre, followed by a workshop on journaling for mindfulness. Hosted in partnership with the Town of Milton. Please register online through the Town of Milton website: <a href="https://eservices.milton.ca">https://eservices.milton.ca</a> and search barcode 238359	9-13 yrs	<b>Sat Feb 2 11:30-2:30</b>	Main (Cost: \$12)
<b>Valentine's Day Blind Date with a Book</b> Book Cupid is here! Pick out your "date" based only on its profile, check it out, and unwrap to enjoy your bookish date.	13-17 yrs	<b>February 1-15</b>	Main & Beaty
<b>The Slime Sessions</b> Get messy in the library and make some ooey, gooey slime! <i>Please register for one session only, all supplies provided.</i>	10-13	<b>Sat Feb 9 1:30-2:00 OR 2:30-3:00</b>	Beaty

# YOUR ONLINE LIBRARY & TECHNOLOGY

Note: Technology sessions are designed for applications only. We are not able to provide hardware set-up or troubleshoot issues.

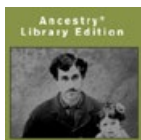
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### Whom Will You Find?

Your ancestors left clues along the way. Now, you can trace them online. Billions of records in census data, vital records, directories, photos, and more are at your fingertips!

Visit:  
[www.mpl.on.ca](http://www.mpl.on.ca) > Online Library



Program	Day/Time	Location
<b>Technology Programs</b> Register for our winter programs online at <a href="http://www.mpl.on.ca">www.mpl.on.ca</a> (library card required) or in-person at an "Ask Us" desk. *Strong computer skills are highly recommended. <span style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px 5px; font-weight: bold;">FREE</span>		
<b>3D Modeling with Tinkercad*</b> (Ages 13+) Learn the basics of designing your own 3D models using this browser-based design program.	<b>Tues Jan 15</b> 6:30-7:30 pm	Main
<b>3D Printer Certification*</b> (Ages 13+) Learn everything you need to know to use the 3D printer at MPL. Attending patrons will require a valid MPL library card in order to be certified.	<b>Tuesdays</b> <b>Dec 11, Jan 22 or Feb 26</b> 6:30-7:30 pm	Main
<b>Parent Child 3D Printer Certification*</b> (Ages 8+) Bring your child and learn all about 3D printing together! Caregiver will require a valid MPL library card in order to be certified.	<b>Tuesday</b> <b>Dec 4 or Feb 12</b> 6:30-7:30 pm	Main



## One-on-One with a Technology Coach

Need help with your device or online resources?  
**Book a 60-minute session with Information Specialist, Anah, today!**

[Anah.Mustapha@mpl.on.ca](mailto:Anah.Mustapha@mpl.on.ca) or 905-875-2665 x3241



## Blind Date with a Book

Are you in a reading rut? Spice up your reading list by going on a blind date with a book!

**Feb 1 to 15**

Main Library & Beaty

Program	Day/Time	Location
<b>Register</b> for our winter programs online at <a href="http://www.mpl.on.ca">www.mpl.on.ca</a> (library card required) or in-person at an "Ask Us" desk. <b>Space is limited.</b> Programs are free, unless otherwise noted.		
<b>Author Visit: Journey of a First Time Author</b> Meet local author Christiane Banks and listen to the fascinating story of her work, "Amelia's Prayer", from conception to the award-winning novel.	<b>Tues Jan 22</b> 7:00-8:00 pm	Main
<b>Alzheimer's Awareness with Acclaim Health</b> What is Alzheimer's disease? What are the signs to watch for? How do we begin to cope? Bring your questions and get informed.	<b>Wed Jan 23</b> 7:00-8:30 pm	Main
<b>Meeting Stress with Skill and Wisdom: An Introduction to Mindfulness</b> A gentle introduction to mindfulness for accessing the wisdom, well-being, and wholeness that reside within each of us.	<b>Wed Feb 6</b> 7:00-8:30 pm	Main
<b>Emotions and Essential Oils</b> Join Jennie Webster from Om Sanctuary. Jennie will share with you essential oils that support emotional health, and her favourite selection of oils for winter wellness.	<b>Wed Feb 13</b> 7:00-8:00 pm	Main

## FOR THE LOVE OF READING

### Library Book Clubs

(Age 18+) 7:00-8:30 pm

Meet other book lovers and participate in a lively discussion. Sessions are led by a member of MPL's staff and refreshments are provided.

**\$20/person** for four sessions.

Registration opens **December 3**. Please register online at [www.mpl.on.ca](http://www.mpl.on.ca) (library card required) or in-person at an "Ask Us" desk.

### Book Club Kits:

Use our Book Club Kits for your book club! Extended loan periods for 123 titles (10 copies per title). We help coordinate your reading lists, offer discussion questions, and make arrangements to have group members pick up their book at Main Library.

Use our **Availability Calendar** to see all of our Book Club Kit titles and when they are available.

#### Wednesdays Main Library

**February 20**  
*Born a Crime*

**March 13**  
*Beartown*

**April 10**  
*Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine*

**May 8**  
*The Heart's Invisible Furies*

#### Thursdays Main Library

**February 7**  
*Stay With Me*

**March 7**  
*Hunger*

**April 4**  
*The Great Alone*

**May 2**  
*Before We Were Yours*

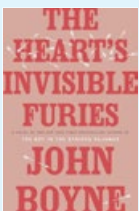
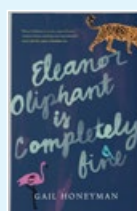
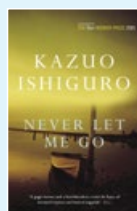
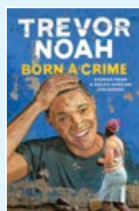
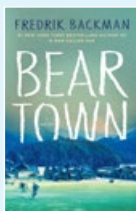
#### Thursdays Beaty Branch

**February 7**  
*The Boat People*

**March 7**  
*Never Let Me Go*

**April 4**  
*The Casual Vacancy*

**May 2**  
*Stay With Me*



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## SENIORS PROGRAMS



### Seniors' Social

Every Thursday, different activities are offered: cards, board games, book talks and more. Meet old and new friends.

**Thursdays 1:30-3:30 pm**  
Main Library



### Christmas Tea

Enjoy refreshments and good cheer at the Christmas Tea. Come meet with old friends and meet new people.

**Thurs Dec 13 1:30-3:30 pm**  
Main Library

## NEW TO CANADA

Programs, information and referrals for those new to Canada. Programs are free, unless otherwise indicated.

Program	Day/Time	Location
Brought to you through a partnership between Milton Public Library and Halton Multicultural Council (funded by CIC)		
<b>ESL Conversation Circles</b> Build your confidence speaking English and meet new people weekly. <b>Please register</b> through Halton Multicultural Council at 905-842-2486 x 241 or syajima@hmconnections.com	<b>Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 pm</b> Dec 4, 11, Jan 15, 22, 29, Feb 5, 12, 19, 26	Main
	<b>Thursdays 6:30-8:00 pm</b> Dec 6, 13, Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 14, 21, 28	Beaty
<b>Settlement Worker</b> Meet with a Settlement Worker to help you start your new life. <b>Please register for an appointment</b> through Halton Multicultural Council with Jacky at 905-464-3222	<b>Tuesdays 4:30-7:30 pm</b> Dec 4, 18, Jan 15, Feb 12, 26	Beaty
	<b>Wednesdays 10:00 am-4:30 pm</b> Dec 5, 19, Jan 16, 30, Feb 13, 27	Main
<b>The Canadian Citizenship Workshop</b> Program includes practice tests, reviewing your application online, and more. <b>Please register</b> through Halton Multicultural Centre with Jacky at 905-464-3222	<b>Tuesday, January 29</b> 5:00-7:30 pm	Beaty

Brought to you through a partnership between Milton Public Library and The Centre: Skills Development & Training		
<b>Commissioner of Oaths</b> Please <b>register for an appointment</b> through The Centre at 905-693-8103 x 204	<b>Tuesdays 10:00 am-12:00 pm</b> Dec 11, Jan 15, 29, Feb 12, 26	Beaty
	<b>Tuesdays 2:00-4:00 pm</b> Dec 11, Jan 15, 29, Feb 12, 26	Main

## COMMUNITY RESOURCES @ YOUR LIBRARY

Program	Day/Time	Location
<b>Volunteer Halton</b> Connecting you with volunteer opportunities throughout Halton. All ages.	<b>Mondays 2:30-5:00 pm</b> Dec 10, Jan 7, 21, Feb 4, 18	Main (drop-in)
<b>Halton Community Legal Services</b> Answering your legal questions about Ontario Works, human rights, tenants' rights, disability benefits, government pensions, employment insurance, or employment standards.	<b>Friday, Feb 22 2:30-4:00 pm</b>	Main (drop-in)

# A Visit Will Get You Thinking.

## UPCOMING HOLIDAY CLOSURES

- Monday, December 24 (closes at 12:30 pm)
- December 25, 26 (Christmas & Boxing Day)
- Monday, December 31 (closes at 12:30 pm)
- Tuesday, January 1 (New Year's Day)
- Monday, February 18 (Family Day)



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**Beaty Branch**  
945 Fourth Line  
Milton, ON L9T 6P8

## HOURS

Mon  
Tue-Thu  
Fri-Sat  
Sun

## MAIN LIBRARY

9:30 - 9  
9:30 - 9  
9:30 - 5  
1 - 5

## BEATY BRANCH

CLOSED  
10 - 9  
10 - 5  
CLOSED



More great programs and events can be found online.  
Visit [www.mpl.on.ca](http://www.mpl.on.ca) for a complete calendar of events.