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2017

Alderney Gate

PROGRAM LISTINGS

Adult

Steampunk Book Club

Honour the arts, crafts, and aesthetic of sci-fi inspired by the Industrial Revolution. This month, discussion will abound as we visit Jack London's *The Iron Heel*. Please note: This will be the last meeting before a summer break, but meetings will resume September 10th. Visit the Jules Verne Phantastical Society Facebook page for more information.

Sun, May 7/3 PM-4:30 PM

Home Staging

with Joanne Abrahams

Planning to sell your home? Join Joanne Abrahams, owner of Rave Re:view Home Staging and Redesign, to discover what is involved in home staging and how it can play a role in your real estate transaction.

Tue, May 9/7 PM

Recovery Dialogue: Hope is the Beginning of Recovery

Recovery Dialogues are designed to help you achieve awareness and increase self-confidence. They are designed to cut across the belief that "there is nothing I can do that is going to make my life better." Please join us as we begin a dialogue about our journey to wellness. In partnership with Healthy Minds Cooperative.

Wed, May 10/10 AM-12 PM

LIBRARY PLAYERS' 27TH SEASON

Sonatas: Five for Three

In their first concert of the series, the Library Players explore the "Trio Sonata" - one of the staples of early music composers with music by Corelli, Bach, Quantz, Handel, and Haydn. The Library Players are Anita Gao-Lee (violin), Yi Lee (violin) and Max Kasper (bass). Enjoy wonderful music and informative, funny stories about the composers who wrote and developed the sonata, one of the main building blocks of classical music. Thank you to sponsor Wilson Fuels Co. In partnership with Symphony Nova Scotia.

Thu, May 11/12 PM

NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE WEEK

IBS Doesn't Have to Be a Life Sentence with Dr. Sandra Murphy

Often someone suffering from IBS is told to live with it, but once the individual cause is found, true health is restored. Could your chronic diarrhea/constipation or stomach upset really be SIBO? Or a food intolerance? Or an imbalance in the gut ecology? The possible causes are as complex as you are. In this talk we will explore the functioning of a healthy, balanced digestive system and explore where and when naturopathic medicine can help. In partnership with Nova Scotia Association of Naturopathic Doctors (NSAND).

Thu, May 11/7 PM

Wyndrock Quintet

The very popular Wyndrock Quintet will be returning with a colourful variety of concert selections and special guest artists duo pianists Louise Grinstead and Michele Bortolussi. The Wyndrock Quintet are Sue Kulik (flute), Nina Woulff (oboe), Andrey Smirnov (clarinet), Kristin Domm (bassoon) and Michael Chisholm (horn).

Mon, May 15/7 PM

Evergreen Writers Group

Always welcoming new participants, the group gets together for discussions, feedback, guest speakers, and workshops for aspiring writers. Call 902-463-5612 for information.

Wed, May 17/10:15 AM-12:15 PM

LIBRARY PLAYERS' 27TH SEASON

Sonatas: Four for Two

In this concert, the Gatto Dolce Duo will look at sonatas written for two instruments and delve a little into Sonata form as it evolved into, and during, the Classical era with music by Mozart, Romberg, DeFesch and Telemann. The Gatto Dolce Duo are Colin Matthews (cello) and Max Kasper (bass). Enjoy wonderful music and informative, funny stories about the composers who wrote and developed the sonata, one of the main building blocks of classical music. Thank you to sponsor Wilson Fuels Co. In partnership with Symphony Nova Scotia.

Thu, May 18/12 PM

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Community Tea - Victorian Edition

In honour of Victoria Day, please join us for a Victorian Tea. Invite a friend and enjoy a few dainty refreshments, a beautiful view of the harbour, and good company together. All are welcome to attend, and feel free to bring your crafty creations to work on.

Fri, May 19/10 AM-12 PM

Novel Ideas, A Book Discussion Event

***Still Alice*, by Lisa Genova**

What is it like to be literally losing your mind? *Still Alice*'s protagonist Alice Howland, a Harvard psychology professor with a successful husband and three grown children, is becoming increasingly disoriented and forgetful. At once beautiful and terrifying, this novel is a moving and vivid depiction of life with early-onset Alzheimer's disease. Call 1-800-561-4774 for more information. In partnership with Alliance for the Equality of Blind Canadians.

Sat, May 27/2:30 PM-4:30 PM

GAELIC NOVA SCOTIA MONTH /
MÌOS NAN GÀIDHEAL

Ceilidh with Celtic Harp / A' Chlàrsach Cheilteach

Experience a traditional ceilidh! Your host will bring to you songs, stories, tea, and oatcakes, and a special performance by Alys Howe on the Celtic harp. In partnership with the Gaelic Language Society of Halifax and the Gaelic Affairs Division of the Department of Communities, Culture, and Heritage.

Tue, May 30/7 PM

Conversation Corner

Newly arrived to Halifax? Enjoy coffee, meet people and practice your English.

Saturdays/9:15 AM-11:15 AM

Registration required

Kids

Sat-ART-day

Tissue Paper Flower Garden

All Ages

It's Sat-art-day at the library! Drop in for a different artistic experience or technique each month, and let your creativity soar! Create your own, or collaborate with your family or friends.

Sat, May 6/10 AM-3 PM

Get Energized!

with Green Schools Nova Scotia

All ages

Green Schools Nova Scotia is excited to offer the Library Edition of their popular energy efficiency engagements for children of all ages. Join a Green Schools Engagement Officer for information, activities, and games. You'll learn a lot, help the environment, AND have an awesome time doing it. Adults can also learn about the fantastic free programs and services Efficiency Nova Scotia offers that can help you waste less energy and save money. In partnership with Green Schools Nova Scotia.

Sat, May 13/10 AM-1 PM

Super Science Saturdays

Sizzling Science—Simple Experiments You Can Try at Home

All Ages

Unleash your inner mad scientist! Drop in for a different family-friendly scientific experiment or activity every month.

Sat, May 13/10 AM-1 PM

BOOK WEEK / GAELIC NOVA SCOTIA
MONTH (MÌOS NAN GÀIDHEAL)

On the Author's Stage:

Kathie Kompass and Stories the Scots and the Irish Brought to Canada

All ages

Ottawa-based storyteller Kathie Kompass has been telling stories for more than thirty years. She often re-works traditional stories to put a new and humorous spin on well-known material. Her desire is to light a verbal candle, drawing the audience closer to the proverbial flame as adventures unfold. Meet Fairies, giants, Selkies, changelings, leprechauns and a Pooka when Kathie shares *Stories the Scots and the Irish Brought to Canada* for storylovers of all ages. In partnership with TD Canadian Children's Book Week and The Canada Council for the Arts.

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Saturday Game Day **Giant Memory**

All Ages

Get your game on at the library! Each month will be a different, hands on activity or experience that will be fun for kids and grown ups alike. Drop-in for some gaming fun.

Sat, May 27/10 AM-3 PM

Chess at the Library **with Dartmouth Junior Chess Club**

Ages 5+

Learn to play against others, take on new challenges, and develop your own strategies, guided by local experts. Open to chess players of all ages. Call Don Bidgood at 902-463-7667 for more information. In partnership with Dartmouth Junior Chess Club.

Saturdays/1 PM-4 PM

Preschoolers

Author Visit: Elizabeth Peirce **featuring *The Big Flush***

All ages

Have you ever been scared by a really loud toilet? One loud enough to flush down a whole swimming pool? With one big flush of a magic toilet, Wilfred accidentally sends a giant wave hurtling into the harbour. Will he be able to get the pool water to come back? Come hear local author Elizabeth Peirce read from her children's book *The Big Flush*.

Thu, May 4/11 AM-11:30 AM

Group registration required, Free tickets given out 30 min before event

ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH

Puppet Show for Groups

The Runaway Wok: A Chinese Tale

All ages

Daycares and preschools are invited to join us to celebrate Asian Heritage Month with this puppet show based on the book by Ying Chang Compestine.

Wed, May 17/9:45 AM-10:15 AM

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Baby and Tot Time

Ages 0-35 months

Drop-in and introduce your child to the wonderful world of books!

Mondays/10:30 AM-11:15 AM

No program May 22, Free tickets given out 30 min before event

Tales for Tots

Spring Session

Ages 19-35 months

Engage your toddler's imagination and develop early literacy skills. Caregiver must be present.

Tuesdays/10:30 AM-11 AM

Sessions ends May 23, Registration required

Shake, Rattle, and Read for Groups

All Ages

Daycares and Preschools: This entertaining, high-energy program will focus on the importance of oral storytelling, rhymes, and music in the development of pre-reading skills.

Wednesdays/9:45 AM-10:15 AM

No program May 17, Group registration required

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Shake, Rattle, and Read

All Ages

This entertaining, high-energy program for young children and their caregivers will focus on the importance of oral storytelling, rhymes, and music in the development of pre-reading skills.

Wednesdays/10:30 AM-11 AM

No program May 17, Free tickets given out 30 min before event

Storytime

Spring Session

Ages 3-5

Stories, songs, finger plays, and rhymes help children experience independent group activity, gain pre-reading skills, and develop a love of reading.

Thursdays/10:30 AM

Registration required

Baby's First Books

Spring Session

Ages 0-18 months

Treat your little one to the experience of books, the rhythm of music, and the fun of group play. Caregiver must be present.

Fridays/10:30 AM

Registration required

Teens

Teen Gamer Night

Ages 13+

Come play games on the big screen!
Did we mention snacks are provided?

Wednesdays/6 PM-8 PM