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2018

# Alderney Gate

## PROGRAM LISTINGS

### Adults

#### **Native Spirituality in Photography with Peter Spence**

In exploring and reflecting on our relationship with the world we can embrace meaningful insight. As a Qalipu Mi'kmaq, Peter's photographic vision is connected to this part of his identity where he finds meaning from the relationships of the earth and people. This translates into the powerful and stunning images he creates.

**Tuesday, May 1**  
**7:00 PM - 8:30 PM**

#### **Discover Your Personal Strengths**

Discover your character strengths through activities and learn the benefits of applying them in real life situations. In partnership with the Dartmouth Community Health Team.

**Thursday, May 3**  
**2:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

Tynes Room, 2nd Floor  
Registration is required. To register, call the Dartmouth Community Health Team at (902) 460-4555.

#### **Art Nook: Green Screen & Button-Making**

Celebrate Free Comic Book Day at the Library. Strike a pose and create a fabulous geeky photo using our props and backgrounds. The button-maker will be available to create your own custom pin. Photos may not be available for same-day pick-up.

**Saturday, May 5**  
**2:30 PM - 4:00 PM**

#### **Steampunk Book Club**

Honour the arts, crafts, and aesthetic of sci-fi inspired by the Industrial Revolution. This month's discussion will explore Caighlan Smith's *A Pest Most Fiendish*. Free e-text can be found here. In partnership with the Jules Verne Phantastical Society.

**Sunday, May 6**  
**3:00 PM - 4:30 PM**

#### **Descriptive Movie Matinee: Concussion**

Rated PG | 2015 | 2h 3min. Featuring Will Smith, *Concussion* is a dramatic thriller that tells the story of American immigrant Dr. Omalu, a brilliant forensic neuropathologist who made the first discovery of CTE and fought for the truth to be known. These monthly screenings are audio-descriptive for those who are blind or partially sighted, although all are welcome. In partnership with Alliance for Equality of Blind Canadians.

**Monday, May 7**  
**2:00 PM - 4:15 PM**

#### **The Voyage Out: Words & Music of Poets of the Sea**

Spanning great novelists, travel-writers, and poets, to local Nova Scotian writers who've participated in her workshops, Irish poet, Anne-Marie Fyfe presents readings, lecture, and music on *Writers and the Sea*. The sea is a recurring presence in Fyfe's poetry, and continues in current writing/travel projects which combine poetry and prose memories of growing up, life by the sea in Ireland, and other coastal locales experienced in travel. Fyfe will be joined by musician Cahal Dallat. In partnership with Arts Council England.

**Saturday, May 12**  
**2:00 PM - 3:30 PM**

#### **Pop-Up Demonstration: Nova Scotia Basketry Guild**

Celebrate the art of basketry and meet some members of the Nova Scotia Basketry Guild. Members will be showing off their skills and answering questions at this informal drop-in session. Come in and see them at work, ask some questions, or just admire their amazing baskets. In partnership with the Nova Scotia Basketry Guild.

**Tuesday, May 15**  
**10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

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### **Evergreen Writers Group**

Always welcoming new participants, this group of aspiring writers meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Library for discussion, feedback, guest speakers, and workshops. This group also meets on the first Wednesday of the month at the Evergreen House.

**Wednesday, May 16**  
**10:15 AM - 12:15 PM**

### **Community Tea: Royal Wedding**

Join Library staff, friends, and your community for a steaming cup of tea to celebrate the royal wedding. Bring your crafty creations and spend the morning enjoying the beautiful harbour view.

**Friday, May 18**  
**10:00 AM - 11:30 AM**

### **Saturday Acoustic Jam**

Budding and experienced musicians, you are invited to join our monthly musical gathering. We welcome all types of acoustic instruments and invite people with all skill levels to share their music with others. Bring copies of songs, including guitar chords, if possible, so that other participants can join in the song. Please bring your own instrument, your singing voice, or just your admiration for good music.

**Saturday, May 26**  
**2:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

### **All Ages**

#### **Céilidh with Celtic Harp: A' Chlàrsach Cheilteach**

*A Gaelic Nova Scotia Month Event*  
Experience a traditional céilidh - Gaelic for "visit". Your host will bring you songs, stories, tea, and oatcakes, and a special performance by Alys Howe on the Celtic Harp. Gaelic Nova Scotia Month: Our Story to Tell / Mìos nan Gàidheal: Ar Sgeul ri InnseMay is Gaelic Nova Scotia Month. In the old Gaelic calendar, the first day of May marks the beginning of summer. Gaels are a Nova Scotia people with a rich culture expressed through poetry, song, music, dance, stories, foodways, lineages, spirituality, and custom. Many Nova Scotians have connections to Gaelic heritage. In partnership with HRM Gaelic community members and the Gaelic Affairs Division of the Department of Communities, Culture, and Heritage.

**Tuesday, May 22**  
**7:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

### **World Turtle Day Pop-up**

Did you know that there are sea turtles found right here off the coast of Nova Scotia? Drop by the Canadian Sea Turtle Network's informational booth to learn about the biology of these amazing animals, including the enormous leatherback sea turtle. Discover cool turtle specimens and hear the amazing story of the scientists and fishermen in Nova Scotia that work together to study and conserve these animals. In partnership with Canadian Sea Turtle Network.

**Wednesday, May 23**  
**11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

### **Where's Gesualdo?**

The composer Don Carlo Gesualdo died in 1763, but he was a composer far ahead of his time. He may not have been a nice human being, but his modern-sounding music inspired many composers, including Igor Stravinsky. The Gatto Dolce Duo take a fanciful look at all the places and pieces that show an influence from the late Don Carlo with music by Hindemith, Bach, Wagner, Beethoven, Satie, Neher, and Bartok. The Gatto Dolce Duo are Colin Matthews (cello) and Max Kasper (bass). In partnership with Symphony Nova Scotia (Sponsored by Wilson Fuels Co.).

**Thursday, May 24**  
**12:00 PM - 1:00 PM**

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### **Chess at the Library**

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. In partnership with Dartmouth Junior Chess Club.

#### **Saturdays**

**1:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

### **Kids**

### **Super Saturdays: Tangrams**

All ages. Tangrams were invented in China more than 1000 years ago, and are still popular today. Create your own tangram set, then try and solve some of our puzzles, or create some of your own. Super Saturdays is all about hands-on activities or experiences that will be fun for both kids and grown-ups alike. It is our day to play games, unleash your inner artist, and experiment with technology.

#### **Saturday, May 5**

**10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

### **Super Saturdays: Flowers**

All ages. Paint a bouquet to celebrate spring. And don't forget there's a puppet show at 10:30 a.m. Super Saturdays is all about hands-on activities or experiences that will be fun for both kids and grown-ups alike. It is our day to play games, unleash your inner artist, and experiment with technology.

#### **Saturday, May 12**

**10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

### **Super Saturdays: Tea Party**

All ages. Come to our tea party to celebrate the Royal Wedding. Enjoy snacks, crafts, and games. Super Saturdays is all about hands-on activities or experiences that will be fun for both kids and grown-ups alike. It is our day to play games, unleash your inner artist, and experiment with technology.

#### **Saturday, May 19**

**11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

### **Super Saturdays: Get Growing!**

All ages. Bring your green thumb and plant a seed to take home. Super Saturdays is all about hands-on activities or experiences that will be fun for both kids and grown-ups alike. It is our day to play games, unleash your inner artist, and experiment with technology.

#### **Saturday, May 26**

**10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

### **Shake, Rattle & 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. Tickets will be given out 30 minutes before start time.

#### **Wednesdays**

**9:45 AM - 10:15 AM**

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### **Preschoolers**

### **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.

#### **Thursday, May 3**

**10:30 AM - 11:00 AM**

Registration is required. To register, call us at (902) 490-5748.

### **Puppet Show: The Extraordinary Cat**

All ages. Celebrate Asian Heritage month with this puppet show adapted from an Asian folktale. Tickets will be given out 30 minutes before start time.

#### **Wednesday, May 9**

**9:45 AM - 10:15 AM**

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### **Storytime: Spring Session**

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**Thursday, May 10**

**10:30 AM - 11:00 AM**

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**Thursday, May 17**

**10:30 AM - 11:00 AM**

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### **Storytime: Spring Session**

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**Thursday, May 24**

**10:30 AM - 11:00 AM**

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### **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.

**Thursday, May 31**

**10:30 AM - 11:00 AM**

Registration is required. To register, call us at (902) 490-5748.

### **Bébé et moi**

de la naissance à 2 ans. Venez en grand nombre afin d'assister à un groupe de jeu avec des chansons et des activités pour les parents et les enfants. En français. En partenariat avec La Pirouette.

**les lundis**

**10:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

### **La petite histoire**

de 2 à 5 ans. Venez en grand nombre afin d'assister à un groupe de jeu avec des chansons et des activités pour les parents et les enfants. En français. En partenariat avec La Pirouette.

**Mondays**

**10:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

### **Baby & Tot Time**

Ages 0-35 months. Joins us for songs, stories and more in this interactive program for babies, toddlers, and their caregivers. Tickets will be given out 30 minutes before start time.

**Mondays**

**10:30 AM - 11:15 AM**

### **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 - 11:00 AM**

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### **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 - 11:00 AM**

Registration is required. To register, call us at (902) 490-5748.