Free Drop-In Clubs

Burford Book Club: Registration is required to take part in this club. Book lovers will enjoy a monthly discussion about a specific title as well as the latest must-reads. Copies of the book will be made available to members approximately one month prior to the date the title will be discussed. All other clubs are free drop-in sessions and do not require registration.

Club	Location	Date	Time	Details
Book Club	Burford Branch	3rd Wednesday of the month	6:30-8:00 pm	Runs Jan-June 2020
Knit & Chat	Paris Branch	Wednesdays	6:30-8:00 pm	Beginners welcome
Mahjong Club	Paris Branch	Thursdays	2:00-4:00 pm	Beginners welcome
Scotland Knitters	Scotland-Oakland Branch	Tuesdays	6:30-8:00 pm	All welcome
Slow Stitch	Paris Branch	Mondays	2:15-4:00 pm	Beginners welcome

Creative Programs for Teens and Adults

Mandala Dot Painting \$5.00 per person, all supplies included

Mandalas can be intimidating but this technique allows for an easy art project with stunning results, just by using dots!.

- Burford Branch: Thursday, February 20 at 6:00 pm
- Glen Morris Branch: Thursday, February 27 at 6:00 pm

Introduction to Embroidery \$5.00 per person, all supplies included

Learn the art of embroidery in this hands-on class. Participants will learn basic stitches and other yard and thread techniques.

- Paris Branch: Thursday, March 12 at 6:00 pm
- Scotland-Oakland Branch: Thursday, March 19 at 6:00 pm

Texture Medium Acrylic Painting \$5.00 per person, all supplies included

Add some depth to your acrylic painting with texture medium. This thick substance filled with hard solids produces a textured effect that we'll apply using palette knives.

• St. George Branch: Thursday, April 16 at 6:00 pm

Glue Gun Acrylic Painting \$5.00 per person, all supplies included

Using hot glue and acrylic paints create a one of a kind winter tree. Learn this art effect that makes certain parts of the work look 3D!

• Burford Branch: Thursday, April 23 at 6:00 pm

Minimal Abstract Art \$5.00 per person, all supplies included

Try your hand at minimal abstract art. Using basic shapes create a beautiful and stylish piece of black and white wall art.

- Paris Branch: Thursday, May 7 at 6:00 pm
- St. George Branch: Thursday, May 14 at 6:00 pm

Green Screen and Gaming Fun!

Drop in between 6:00-8:00 pm on the 1st Tuesday of each month*

Do you enjoy video games or have you ever wanted to try out virtual reality gaming? Come enjoy a night with fellow gamers as we set up the Wii and Oculus Rift for some interactive gaming experiences! Youth under the age of 13 must be accompanied by an adult. *Program runs January to May 2020 at various branches:

- January 7 Paris Branch
- February 4 Burford Branch
- March 3 Paris Branch
- April 7 Burford Branch
- May 5 Paris Branch



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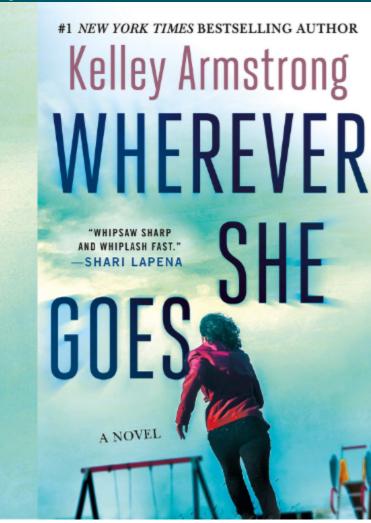


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One Book One Brant 2020

Wherever She Goes by Kelley Armstrong

Kelley Armstrong is the author of the Rockton series, beginning with standalone thriller **Wherever She Goes**, this year's One Book One Brant selection! You may also recognize her name as the author of the popular Royal Guide to Monster Slaving middle-grade fantasy series, the Otherworld urban fantasy series, the Cainsville gothic mystery series, and the Darkest Powers & Darkness Rising teen paranormal series among others. We are excited to read this nailbiting psychological thriller with the community!



See page 2 for more about One Book One Brant.



One Book One Brant 2019



Wherever She Goes by Kelley Armstrong ... Let's Read Together!

For the uninitiated the concept is simple: come to the Library and borrow a copy of **Wherever She Goes** by Kelley Armstrong beginning **Thursday**, **January 9**, **2020**.

Readers are automatically entered into our Library Branch prize draws, as well as our grand prize contest. Read **Wherever She Goes**, discuss it with your friends, then sign up to see the author in person!

One Book One Brant Author Event: Hear Kelley Armstrong Live!

Sunday, March 8, 1:30 pm at the Brant Sports Complex (944 Powerline Rd., Paris)

Registration is required to attend. Come hear Kelley Armstrong discuss our OBOB selection, Wherever She Goes.

Help Preserve Our History

Scan and Share Days

Free program; no registration required.

Bring in your family's old photographs, documents, maps, letters, and other items and we'll preserve them digitally and provide you with a copy! Digital scans will be added to our online historical website **http://images.ourontario.ca/brant** with your permission. Nothing to share? Drop in and see a display of historical items that have been digitally preserved! There will also be the opportunity to receive instructions on how to navigate the Digital Historical Collection and conduct your own research.

- Paris Branch: Thursday, February 6 from 5:00-8:00 pm
- Scotland-Oakland Branch: Thursday, February 20 from 5:00-8:00 pm
- St. George Branch: Thursday, March 5 from 5:00-8:00 pm

Photo provided by Calvin Hager at a Scan & Share Day, 2012.



Never Stop Learning

All About Alzheimer's first Friday of the month, February to June, 1:00-3:00 pm

St. George Branch | Free information session; registration is required as space is limited.

Presented by the Alzheimer Society of Brant, this monthly series provides valuable information for those interested in learning about Alzheimer's disease and brain health. Sign up for any or all the workshops you are interested in! Session topics Include:

- February 7: Alzheimer Awareness
- March 6: What is Dementia?
- April 3: Programs & Services
- May 1: Normal Age Related Changes in Memory
- June 5: Responsive Behaviours

Cooking For Beginners Tuesdays in March* from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Syl Apps Community Centre | \$10.00 per person (4 weeks inclusive)

Cooking and conversation are on the menu for these fun, interactive classes teaching simple cooking techniques for all your daily meals! Each session will teach new skills for food preparation and proper nutrition through a combination of stove top and counter top cooking techniques. Speak to one of our librarians for full details! (*No class March 17.)

Speaker School Wednesdays, from February 5 to March 11 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Paris Branch | Free information session; registration is required as space is limited.

Strengthen your public speaking skills, meet people, and expand your creativity. Developed by Carrie Sinkowski, Community Developer for the Brant-Haldimand-Norfolk Community Legal Clinic.



Onondaga Mobile Library Service

The Library makes weekly stops at the Onondaga Community Hall (42 Brantford St.) **every Thursday from 4:00-7:00 pm**. Sign up for a Library card, borrow and return materials, pick up holds and learn more about Library services all on site. We'll also have an activity such as a storytime, breakout box, or craft for kids to enjoy. We can't wait to see you there!

Adult Program Registration Information

Registration Information

- · Registration is required for all adult Library Programs unless otherwise stated.
- Registration for programs and events may be made in-person, by phone or via our Online Program Calendar.
- Please note: for programs requiring payment, registration is not confirmed until we have received payment in full at any Library Branch (cash or cheque only).
- Programs may be cancelled due to insufficient numbers.
- Please read our full Program Policies online at www.brantlibrary.ca

Author Talks

Author Michael Pawlowski Sunday, February 9, 1:30 pm

Paris Branch | Free program. Registration required as space is limited.

During Black History Month, celebrate the contribution of the Afro-Canadian Community to Canadian history, in particular the Niagara Rebellion of September, 1837. Author Michael Pawlowski will discuss how Solomon Moseby, an escaped slave from Kentucky, became the focal point of the rebellion with reference to his book, **Niagara Black Waters Flow Deep**.



St. George Branch | Free program. Registration required as space is limited.

Carol Parafenko is the publisher of our local newspapers The St. George Lance and The Paris Chronicle. Her new mystery novel, **Off Track**, is hot off the press and you can hear about it in person! Written under her pen name CP Avis, the story takes place in Waterford which is based on the town of Paris. She will discuss the

process of novel writing, give a short slideshow on the novel's bird watching content, and answer questions from the audience. A book signing will take place at the end of the evening.

Sustainable Living Series

Growing Food from Scraps Monday, March 23, 1:30 pm

Scotland Community Centre | Free information session; registration is required as space is limited.

Learn how to grow food such as lettuce, celery, and green onions from scraps and see them at different stages in the process. This information session will be presented by Gloria Ord from the Grand River Community Health Centre.

Tree Planting and Sustainability Wednesday, March 25, 6:30 pm

Burford Branch | Free information session; registration is required as space is limited.

Planting trees benefit you and the environment in many ways. Learn about how and when to plant trees, selecting the right species for your property, general care of your tree after planting, and maintaining a sustainable woodlot. Presented by the Grand River Conservation Authority and Brant Woodlot Association.

Invasive Species Wednesday, April 1, 7:00 pm

St. George Branch | Free information session; registration is required as space is limited.

Some exotic species have the potential to wipe out native plants and creatures, reducing the biological diversity of our natural areas. Learn about species to watch for and what you can do to help protect the local ecosystem at this information session presented by the Grand River Conservation Authority.

Renewable Energy Tuesday, April 14, 7:00 pm

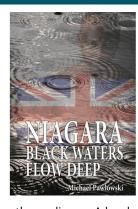
Burford Branch | Free information session; registration is required as space is limited.

Reducing our energy consumption from non-renewable sources can help both our planet and your bank account. Learn great energy saving tips, installing renewable energy sources, and grants that you could be eligible for.

An Introduction to Fly Fishing Wednesday, April 15, 6:30 pm

Paris Branch | Free information session; registration is required as space is limited.

Fly fishing differs from most fishing in the way that the fly--the lure or bait--is very lightweight and can't be used to propel the cast. Topics such as what to look for in a rod/fly line, types of flies/making your own, tips for beginners, and different types of fish in the area will be discussed. Presented by the Hamilton Area Fly Fishers and Tyers.



March Break Programs

March Break 2020 runs from Monday, March 16 to Saturday, March 21

Drop by any County of Brant Public Library Branch during March Break and make a cool craft to take home!

On Saturday, March 21 visit any Library Branch* between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm for free Make & Play fun! (*Make & Play is not available at the Glen Morris Branch.)

All March Break Programs require registration except those marked as drop-in sessions. Drop-in spaces and supplies may be limited. All movie drop-ins require that children 8 years of age and under must attend with a parent/caregiver.

Program	Location	Date	Time	Details
EarlyON Drop-In	Burford Branch	Tuesday, March 17	1:00 pm	Free. All ages with a parent/caregiver.
Family Movie Drop-In	Burford Branch	Wednesday, March 18	6:00 pm	Free. See age requirements above.
Art Attack Drop-In	Burford Branch	Thursday, March 19	10:30 am	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.
D&D Drop-In	Burford Branch	Thursday, March 19	2:00 pm	Free. For kids aged 10+.
Bingo Hour Drop-In	Burford Branch	Thursday, March 19	2:00 pm	Free. For kids in Grades 1+.
Pajama Storytime	Burford Branch	Friday, March 20	10:30 am	\$2.00. All ages with a parent/caregiver.
Tower Power	Glen Morris Branch	Wednesday, March 18	6:30 pm	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.
Make & Play Drop-In	Paris Branch	Monday, March 16	10:00 am	Free. All ages with a parent/caregiver.
Art Junk Journals	Paris Branch	Monday, March 16	2:15 pm	\$2.00. For kids aged 8+.
Recycled Robots Drop-In	Paris Branch	Tuesday, March 17	10:30 am	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.
Kitchen Science Drop-In	Paris Branch	Tuesday, March 17	2:00 pm	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.
Storybook Scientist Drop-In	Paris Branch	Wednesday, March 18	10:30 am	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.
Button Bonanza Drop-In	Paris Branch	Wednesday, March 18	2:00 pm	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.
Art Attack Drop-In	Paris Branch	Thursday, March 19	10:30 am	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.
Super Structures Drop-In	Paris Branch	Thursday, March 19	2:00 pm	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.
Jewelry Crafting Drop-In	Paris Branch	Thursday, March 19	2:00 pm	\$2.00. For kids aged 10+.
Family Tree Fun Drop-In	Paris Branch	Friday, March 20	10:30 am	\$2.00. All ages with a parent/caregiver.
Bingo Hour Drop-In	Paris Branch	Friday, March 20	2:00 pm	Free. For kids in Grades 1+.
Family Movie Drop-In	Paris Branch	Saturday, March 21	2:15 pm	Free. See age requirements above.
St. Patrick's Day Fun	St. George Branch	Tuesday, March 17	10:30 am	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.
Button Bonanza	St. George Branch	Tuesday, March 17	2:00 pm	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.
Stay & Play Adventure Drop-In	St. George Branch	Thursday, March 19	10:30 am	Free. All ages with a parent/caregiver.
It's the First Day of Spring!	St. George Branch	Thursday, March 19	2:00 pm	\$2.00. For kids in Grades 1+.



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Barbara Reid



WINTER / SPRING 2020

This year's 2020 Let's Read selection is **Gifts** by Jo Ellen Bogart, with illustrations by Barbara Reid. Celebrate the shared joy of reading with this stirring story about the powerful bond between grandparents and their grandchildren.

Let's Read 2020 Kick-Off Event Sunday, January 26, 1:00 pm

Brant Sports Complex (Lafarge Banquet Hall) (944 Powerline Rd., Paris)

This free family fun event features both the illustrious Jo Ellen Bogart and the talented Barbara Reid! Can't make our event? Visit the Brantford Public Library's main branch at 3:00 pm.

Learn more about Let's Read and the Family Literacy Committee of Brant at www.familyliteracy.ca

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Children's Program Registration Information

- Registration for Winter 2020 programs begins Saturday, December 7
- · Registration for March Break 2020 programs begins Saturday, February 1
- · Registration for Spring 2020 programs begins Saturday, March 7
- Children must meet the minimum age requirements at the start of a program.
- Registration in person is required for all children's programs unless otherwise stated.
- Read & Rhyme and Family Storytimes are interactive programs that require caregiver participation.
- Programs may be cancelled due to insufficient numbers.
- Please read our full Program Policies online at www.brantlibrary.ca.



Storytimes

Preschool Storytimes

Stories, fingerplays, and crafts. For children 3-5 years. Caregivers must remain in the Library. Registration for winter sessions (January-February) begins December 7. Registration for spring sessions (April-May) begins March 7.

Location	Day	Dates	Time	Details
Paris Branch	Thursdays	January 9-February 27	10:30 am	\$8.00 for 8 weeks
St. George Branch	Tuesdays	January 7-February 25	10:30 am	\$8.00 for 8 weeks
St. George Branch	Fridays	January 10-February 28	10:30 am	\$8.00 for 8 weeks
Paris Branch	Thursdays	April 2-May 21	10:30 am	\$8.00 for 8 weeks
St. George Branch	Tuesdays	March 31-May 19	10:30 am	\$8.00 for 8 weeks
St. George Branch	Fridays	April 3-May 29* (no class Friday, April 10)	10:30 am	\$8.00 for 8 weeks

Family Storytimes

Share an interactive story session with your children. For children aged 0-6 years with a parent/caregiver. Registration for winter sessions (January-February) begins December 7. Registration for spring sessions (April-May) begins March 7.

Location Day		Dates	Time	Details
Paris Branch	Wednesdays	January 8-February 26	11:00 am	\$8.00 for 8 weeks
Paris Branch	Wednesdays	April 1-May 20	11:00 am	\$8.00 for 8 weeks

Read & Rhyme

Learn seasonal rhymes to share with your child. For children aged 0-6 years with a parent/caregiver. Registration for winter sessions (January-February) begins December 7. Registration for spring sessions (April-May) begins March 7.

Location	Day	Dates	Time	Details
Paris Branch	Tuesdays	January 7, 14, 21 & February 4, 11, 18	11:00 am	\$6.00 for 6 weeks
Paris Branch	Fridays	January 10, 17, 24 & February 14, 21, 28	11:00 am	\$6.00 for 6 weeks
Paris Branch	Tuesdays	April 7, 14, 21 & May 5, 12, 19	11:00 am	\$6.00 for 6 weeks
Paris Branch	Fridays	April 3, 17, 24 & May 8, 15, 22	11:00 am	\$6.00 for 6 weeks

Skate Exchange



Exchange your skates at the Burford, Paris, or St. George Branches January 2-February 21, 2020

Drop off your gently used skates beginning January 2. Stop back any time until February 21 to see if you can find your new perfect fit! (The Library does not guarantee size, fit, or selection.)

Winter Reading Challenge



Spend quality time together, show you love your library, and get a chance to win some amazing prizes! Registration begins Saturday, February 1 ... ask your local librarian for more info!



Programs for Children & Families

EarlyON Pop-Up Visit

Bring your little one for play-based learning that's fun and engaging while also being connected to a Registered Early Childhood Educator. Everyone is welcome at this free drop-in program.

- Burford Branch: Tuesdays, January 21, February 18, March 17, April 21, May 19, June 16 at 1:00 pm
- Paris Branch: Mondays, January 13, February 10, March 9, April 20, May 11, June 8 at 10:30 am
- St. George Branch: Thursdays, January 23, February 27, March 26, April 23, May 28, June 25 at 10:30 am

Maker Mondays Every Monday* in January and February at the Paris Branch

Craft, build, play, and explore with Snap Circuits, Lego, art, and game challenges! This is a free drop-in program for school-aged children. Kids aged 8 years of age and under require parental supervision. (*No sessions Monday, January 20 or February 17.)

Storybook Walk & Play Syl Apps Community Centre (51 William St., Paris)

Drop by Syl Apps any time between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm. Enjoy a stroll as your family reads a book together, then stay for a fun craft based on the story! For children of all ages with a parent/caregiver. Free program. No registration required. Presented in partnership with County of Brant Community Services.

• Wednesdays: January 15, February 12, April 8, May 13 at 10:00 am

Make & Play Saturdays Every Saturday, from January 4 to May 30

Drop in to the Burford, Paris, Scotland-Oakland, or St. George Branches any time between 10:00 am to 12:00 pm to enjoy some special time with your child. Help spark your child's creativity through exploration, creation, and play! Parental supervision is required. All ages. Free program. No registration required.

Make & Play Bonus Days at the Paris Branch

Parental supervision is required. All ages. Free program. No registration required.

- Mondays, January 6 to May 25 (no program February 17, April 13, and May 18) from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
- Tuesdays: January 28, February 25, April 28, and May 26 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
- Sundays: January 5 to May 31 (no program February 16, April 12, and May 17) from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

PA Daze \$2.00 per child.

Kids are never bored on a PA Day at the Library! Registration required. For children in Grades 1+.

- Burford Branch: Friday, April 24 at 10:30 am
- Burford & Paris Branches: Friday, June 5 at 10:30 am

PA Daze Movies Free drop-in program at the Paris Branch

Enjoy a relaxing afternoon of snacks and a movie! Children 8 years of age and under must be accompanied by an adult. Spaces limited.

- Monday, January 20 at 2:00 pm
- Friday, April 24 at 2:00 pm
- Friday, June 5 at 2:00 pm

Kiwanis Teddy Bear Clinic Free drop-in program

The Kiwanis Club Paris-Brant is proud to present a Teddy Bear Clinic designed to help children alleviate their fears of medical visits. Bring in your children or grandchildren with their favourite stuffed friend for medical, dental, and optical exams and treatment. Members of Kiwanis Paris-Brant, Brant Family Eye Care, and Paris Dental Centre will be on hand to treat patients!

• Paris Branch: Saturday, February 15 from 10:00 am to 1200 pm

Dungeons & Dragons Drop-Ins

Learn to play D&D at the Library! We'll build characters, learn fifth edition rules, roll some dice, and HAVE FUN! No experience necessary; experts and beginners are all welcome!

- Burford Branch: Thursday afternoons from 3:30-5:00 pm (for school aged kids 10+)
- Paris Branch: Friday afternoons from 3:30-5:00 pm (for high school students)
- St. George Branch: Friday afternoons from 3:30-5:00 pm (for school aged kids 10+)



