



## Wednesday, January 1, 2025

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### Library Closed for Holiday

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 1 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

Both locations of the library are closed on January 1.

Happy New Year!

## Thursday, January 2, 2025

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### LEGO Challenge

Date and Time: Thursday, January 2 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Address: 1 Mill Street, Orangeville

Master builders ages 8 to 12 are invited to participate in LEGO challenges.

Do you have what it takes to go up against your friends in the ultimate LEGO challenge? Join members of our Teen Advisory Group for an hour of LEGO building fun.

This program requires [registration](#) to participate.

## Friday, January 3, 2025

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### Drop in Holiday Craft

Date and Time: Friday, January 3 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Address: 1 Mill Street & 275 Alder Street, Orangeville ON

Stop by the Mill Street or Alder Library to create a snowman paper plate mask craft during open hours. The craft is available while supplies last.

## Teen Art Night

Date and Time: Friday, January 3 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Address: 1 Mill Street, Orangeville

Come design your own canvas tote bag! Snacks and good conversation to be had while you work on your art project.

This event is hosted by the Teen Advisory Group (TAG) and is recommended for teens ages 13 to 17.

Attendees must [register](#) in advance to participate as space is limited.

## Monday, January 6, 2025

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### Adventures in the Park

Date and Time: Monday, January 6 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Address: Village Green Park, 53 Hewitt St.

Join us with our friends from EarlyON Dufferin for songs, stories and a craft in the park.

Meet at [Village Green Park](#), 53 Hewitt Street, at 10 a.m.

## Tuesday, January 7, 2025

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### After Hours Write Club

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 7 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

The After Hours Write Club is a writing workshop facilitated by local author Anthony Carnovale. Meet at the Mill Street Library at 7 p.m.

Please [register](#) in advance to attend this program and don't forget to pack your writing supplies and, if you're like Anthony, a good cup of coffee.

The creative writing group is currently full.

## Wednesday, January 8, 2025

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### Books and Loose Parts

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 8 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

Explore the amazing world of loose parts inspired by children's stories with Alyson Pell from The Sunflower School.

For ages 2.5 to 6 years with a parent/caregiver.

Loose parts are materials that can be moved, carried, combined, redesigned, lined up, and taken apart and put back together in multiple ways. Loose parts' theory is about remembering that the best play comes from things that allow children to play in many different ways.

## **Friday, January 10, 2025**

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### **Teen Advisory Group**

Date and Time: Friday, January 10 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Address: Alder Street Library, 275 Alder Street

Join Tanis for fun activities and to learn about volunteer opportunities at the library.

The Teen Advisory Group (TAG) provides an opportunity for local youth to share their ideas about the library's teen programs, services and collection. Members can earn high school community service volunteer hours.

## **Monday, January 13, 2025**

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### **Adventures in the Park**

Date and Time: Monday, January 13 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Address: Village Green Park, 53 Hewitt St.

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Meet at [Village Green Park](#), 53 Hewitt Street, at 10 a.m.

## **Tuesday, January 14, 2025**

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### **Every Child Ready to Read Storytime**

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 14 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: Alder Street Library, 275 Alder Street

Take part in this interactive program that has something for everyone. Sing songs, listen to stories and rhymes, and play games that encourage literacy and learning.

Talking, singing, reading and playing are the key skills and fun ways to help your child get ready to read. Developing early literacy skills makes it easier for children to learn to read once they begin school, and helps to foster a lifelong love of reading and learning. No registration is required.

Recommended for age 5 and under. This is a drop-in program.

This program is also offered on Thursdays at the Mill Street location.

## Wednesday, January 15, 2025

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### Every Child Ready to Read Babies

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 15 1:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

Give your child a jumpstart to a love of reading by engaging in fun, interactive activities with your baby. This is a drop-in program for newborns to 18 months.

There will be time to socialize with other new parents after the program.

Every Child Ready to Read is an early childhood literacy program for children from birth to age five. Library staff will demonstrate ways to help children get ready to read, incorporating five activities: talking, singing, reading, writing and playing.

This program is also offered on Friday, 10:30 a.m. at the Alder location.

### Social Justice Club for Youth

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 15 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

The Social Justice Club is a chance for youth to connect with one another and discuss issues facing our society (i.e. poverty, bullying, climate change, inequity), with the goal of building kind communities where everyone feels a sense of belonging.

Children and youth ages 7 to 12 will meet every Wednesday from January 15 to March 5 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Through fun activities, participants will learn how to:

1. Collaborate with likeminded youth.
2. Develop the capacity to become a better world citizen.
3. Lead purposeful and fulfilling lives.

Please [register](#) to attend.

Healthy snacks may be provided, please let the facilitator know if a participant has any allergies.

Presented in partnership with the Puslinch Assembly of Bahai's.

Teen volunteers ages 15 to 17 are needed to help facilitate the club. Please contact [teens@orangeville.ca](mailto:teens@orangeville.ca)

## **The Parent Support Network: From Conflict to Connection Workshop**

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 15 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

### **From Conflict to Connection: Building Stronger Bonds with Your Teen**

Are you feeling disconnected from your teen or tween? Join Jill McPherson, a peaceful communication strategist, for an engaging workshop designed to help parents foster deeper connections with their children. Learn practical strategies to move beyond control and embrace a communication style that builds trust and understanding. Let's shift the focus from conflict to connection and create stronger family relationships.

This is a free workshop in partnership with The Parent Support Network. There is no cost and refreshments will be served. Please register in advance:

<https://bit.ly/3BGLvgr>

## **Thursday, January 16, 2025**

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### **Every Child Ready to Read Storytime**

Date and Time: Thursday, January 16 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

Take part in this interactive program that has something for everyone. Sing songs, listen to stories and rhymes, and play games that encourage literacy and learning.

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Recommended for age 5 and under. This is a drop-in program.

This program is also offered on Tuesdays at the Alder Street location.

## **Friday, January 17, 2025**

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### **Every Child Ready to Read Babies**

Date and Time: Friday, January 17 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: Alder Street Library, 275 Alder Street

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## Sunday, January 19, 2025

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### Expert in the Library - The Art of Adventure

Date and Time: Sunday, January 19 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

In his visually striking presentation, Al Pace shares his personal journey of how canoeing wilderness rivers of the Northwest Territories over 45-years has influenced his creative process working in high-fired stoneware. From the big-sky, tundra landscapes north of the Arctic Circle to the rugged and raw peaks of the Mackenzie Mountains, Al's bold forms and layered glazes often reflect the textures and rhythms of this mysterious northern landscape. Al's life-journey combines his love of adventure with his passion for creating vessels with a distinctly Canadian flavour.

Al Pace

One of Canada's most accomplished Wilderness River Guides, Al has guided over 100 canoe expeditions on 26 northern waterways spanning thousands of river-miles. Al and his wife, Lin Ward, operate Canoe North Adventures from their Outfitting Centre and Lodge in Norman Wells, Northwest Territories. Al is also an accomplished Studio-Potter creating original high-fired stoneware vessels for more than 45-years from his Hockley Valley Studio and Home.

Please [register](#) to let us know that you plan to attend.

## Monday, January 20, 2025

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### Adventures in the Park

Date and Time: Monday, January 20 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Address: Village Green Park, 53 Hewitt St.

Join us with our friends from EarlyON Dufferin for songs, stories and a craft in the park.

Meet at [Village Green Park](#), 53 Hewitt Street, at 10 a.m.

## Tuesday, January 21, 2025

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### Every Child Ready to Read Storytime

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 21 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: Alder Street Library, 275 Alder Street

Take part in this interactive program that has something for everyone. Sing songs, listen to stories and rhymes, and play games that encourage literacy and learning.

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Recommended for age 5 and under. This is a drop-in program.

This program is also offered on Thursdays at the Mill Street location.

### Orange thREADs

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 21 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

Share your passion for reading and all things fibre arts with Orange thREADs. Join this friendly group for an afternoon of conversation and connection. New members are always welcome.

Orange thREADs meet on the third Tuesday of every month.

### After Hours Write Club

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 21 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

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Please [register](#) in advance to attend this program and don't forget to pack your writing supplies and, if you're like Anthony, a good cup of coffee.

The creative writing group is currently full.

## Wednesday, January 22, 2025

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## Every Child Ready to Read Babies

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 22 1:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

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This program is also offered on Friday, 10:30 a.m. at the Alder location.

## Social Justice Club for Youth

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 22 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

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2. Develop the capacity to become a better world citizen.
3. Lead purposeful and fulfilling lives.

Please [register](#) to attend.

Healthy snacks may be provided, please let the facilitator know if a participant has any allergies.

Presented in partnership with the Puslinch Assembly of Bahai's.

Teen volunteers ages 15 to 17 are needed to help facilitate the club. Please contact [teens@orangeville.ca](mailto:teens@orangeville.ca)

## Thursday, January 23, 2025

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### Every Child Ready to Read Storytime

Date and Time: Thursday, January 23 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street



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Recommended for age 5 and under. This is a drop-in program.

This program is also offered on Tuesdays at the Alder Street location.

## Queer Village Book Club

Date and Time: Thursday, January 23 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

Meet at the Mill Street Library - 6:30 p.m. social; 7:00 p.m. book discussion

It takes a village to support the village! With various community partners, Queer Village hosts events geared towards 2SLGBTQ+ people and their allies who want to meet in safe spaces where everyone is welcome. Follow @dufferincountyqueervillage on Facebook and Instagram to stay informed about upcoming events. Please note, Queer Village events are intended for adults 18+. Thank you for your understanding.

The book club is currently full. Please add your name to the [waitlist](#) to be notified should a spot become available.

## Friday, January 24, 2025

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### Every Child Ready to Read Babies

Date and Time: Friday, January 24 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: Alder Street Library, 275 Alder Street

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### Teen Chronicles

Date and Time: Friday, January 24 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Address: Alder Street Library, 275 Alder Street

Join in on the conversation with Orangeville Public Library's Teen book club. The group meets monthly at the Alder Street location to share their latest reads and discuss a different theme.

Lead a book chat to earn community service hours.

## **Saturday, January 25, 2025**

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### **Family Literacy Day Magic Storytime**

Date and Time: Saturday, January 25 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: 1 Mill Street, Orangeville

Celebrate Family Literacy Day with a family storytime and magic show! Ms. Erin and special guest Marty the Magician will share the wonders of reading together as a family in this fun and engaging program filled with stories and magic tricks.

Family Literacy Day takes place annually on January 27 to raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family.

## **Monday, January 27, 2025**

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### **Adventures in the Park**

Date and Time: Monday, January 27 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Address: Village Green Park, 53 Hewitt St.

Join us with our friends from EarlyON Dufferin for songs, stories and a craft in the park.

Meet at Village Green Park, 53 Hewitt Street, at 10 a.m.

### **After School Club**

Date and Time: Monday, January 27 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

We are all Storytellers. Storytelling connects people together. Storytelling teaches us about the world around us, introduces new ideas, provides a way to express what you love and what excites you. January 27th is Family Literacy Day and we will be creating our own StoryCubes to take home and share with friends and family.

After School Club is for children ages 7 - 12 and no registration is required.

Please note, guardians of children 9 and under must remain in the library for the duration of the program. Thank you for your cooperation.

Upcoming dates: Monday, February 24 and Monday, March 31

## **Tuesday, January 28, 2025**

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### **Every Child Ready to Read Storytime**

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 28 10:30 am - 11:00 am

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### **Every Child Ready to Read Storytime**

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 28 10:30 am - 11:00 am

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## **Wednesday, January 29, 2025**

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### **Every Child Ready to Read Babies**

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 29 1:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

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## **Social Justice Club for Youth**

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 29 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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## **Check It Out Book Club**

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 29 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: Mill Street Library, 1 Mill Street

Jump into the world of books with the Check it Out Book Club. This club will utilize our library Book Club in a Bag kits and discussion guides to explore a wide range of genres.

This month the group is reading *The Hundred Foot Journey* by Richard Morais.

The Check It Out Book Club is currently full. Please add your name to the [waiting list](#).

# Thursday, January 30, 2025

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## Every Child Ready to Read Storytime

Date and Time: Thursday, January 30 10:30 am - 11:00 am

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This program is also offered on Tuesdays at the Alder Street location.

# Friday, January 31, 2025

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## Every Child Ready to Read Babies

Date and Time: Friday, January 31 10:30 am - 11:00 am

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