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Program Guide

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Back to School

Get ready for back to school! Explore digital resources for kids and teens for homework support. Try the live tutoring feature on Brainfuse; test your critical thinking skills with Kermode Education, and get mental health tips to help manage stress with LifeSpeak. Access for free with your library membership.

rhpl.ca/back-to-school



Book Clubs

Book Clubs For Adults

Looking for your next favourite read? Join one of our book clubs to read and discuss great titles! New members welcome.

Learn more & register here: rhpl.ca/library-book-clubs

Richvale Book Club

September: *Looking For Jane* by Heather Marshall

October: *VenCo* by Cherie Dimaline
Auditorium, Richvale Branch
Sept. 18; Oct. 30 / 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Central Book Club

September: *Wandering Stars* by Tommy Orange

October: *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman
Room B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch
Sept. 20; Oct. 25 / 2-3 p.m.

City Book Crawl

Grab a drink, snack, or dinner and let's talk about books! What have you been reading? Share something interesting you have found to read lately, hear about new and exciting book releases, and add to your TBR. Join the discussion, connect with new people and pick up suggestions for your next great read in this new informal book club. Participants are responsible for purchasing their own food and drinks, if they choose.
King Henry's Arms Pub, Richmond Hill
Oct. 30 / 7-8:30 p.m.

Virtual Book Club

Now you can join a book club from the comfort of your own home. Join us and fellow book-lovers in the community on Zoom to read and discuss great titles!
September: *Ducks* by Kate Beaton
October: *Bad Cree* by Jessica Johns
Zoom
Sept. 24; Oct. 29 / 7-8 p.m.

Book Clubs For Kids

New Clubs:

Reading Rangers:

Parent-Child Book Club

Ages: Kids (5-7 years w/ caregiver)
Read and learn together with our new parent-child book club. Parents and their children will read a book together at home, then join other families at the library to talk about what they learned, how the books made them feel, and more. We will also do fun activities related to the books. Best suited for kids ages 5-7, but any kids who enjoy picture books are welcome to join.
October: *Kaiah's Garden* by Melanie Florence
November: *TBD*
Auditorium, Richvale Branch
Oct. 19; Nov. 16 / 10:30-11:30 a.m.

StoryKids Book Club

Ages: Kids (7-10 years)
Crush those reading tests and become a super-reader by joining a book club! Each month we will read a book at home, then get together to talk about it with friends and do crafts or activities to go along with the books. Let's make reading fun!
Best for kids 7-10 (in grades 3-4), but any kids who enjoy these books and are at the appropriate reading level are welcome to join.
October: *Planet Omar: Accidental Trouble Magnet* by Zanib Mian
November: *The Journal of Anxious Izzy Parker* by Alma Fullerton
Classroom, Richmond Green Branch
Oct. 28; Nov. 25 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Book Explorers

Ages: Kids (10-12 years)
Crush those reading tests and become a super-reader by joining a book club! Each month we will read a book at home, then get together to talk about it with friends and do crafts or activities to go along with the books. Let's make reading fun!
Best for kids 10-12 (in grades 5-6), but any kids who enjoy these books and are at the appropriate reading level are welcome to join.
October: *The Moth Keeper* by K. O'Neill
November: *Buzzing* by Samuel Sattin
Room C, 2nd Floor, Central Branch
Oct. 17; Nov. 28 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Kids

(12 years and under)

Registered Programs:

STEAM Club

Ages: 8-12 years

Explore a different STEAM topics every season! This time we will be trying out Stop Motion Animation.

Classroom, Richmond Green Branch

[Register here](#)

Sept. 16 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Room 1+2, 1st Floor, Oak Ridges Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 3 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

STEAM Club Jr.

Ages: 5-7 years

Explore a different STEAM topics every season! This time we will be trying out Stop Motion Animation.

Children's Program Room, Richmond Green Branch [Register here](#)

Sept. 9 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Room 1+2, 1st Floor, Oak Ridges Branch

Oct. 17 / 4:30-5:30 p.m. [Register here](#)

Khadija and the Elephant Toothpaste Experiment - a Messy, Interactive Book Reading!

Ages: 5-8 years

Join scientist and children's book author, Farah Qaiser, for an interactive reading of Khadija and the Elephant Toothpaste Experiment, which demonstrates how everyone can see themselves in science. This will be followed by a fun re-enactment of the Elephant Toothpaste Experiment using simple household materials.

Auditorium, Richvale Branch [Register here](#)

Oct. 26 / 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Hack That Painting: Halloween

Ages: 9-12 years

Enhance your creativity with this unique painting experience. Receive a pre-painted canvas and transform it into your own spooky creation!

Room B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 23 / 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Tween Hub: Squishmallow Painting Party

Ages: 9-12 years

Grab your favourite squishmallow and join us to paint its portrait!

Room B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 1 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Traditional Storytelling and Folktales with Melanie Florence: a Virtual Author Visit

Ages: Grades 1-6

In honour of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, best-selling author Melanie Florence discusses traditional storytelling and folktales. Join her for a reading of her acclaimed picture book, Stolen Words. Educators in Richmond Hill can register their classes by emailing programming@rhpl.ca.

Zoom [Register here](#)

Sept. 26 / 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Friendship and Family with Saadia Faruqi: a Virtual Author Visit

Ages: Grades 4-6

Pakistani American author Saadia Faruqi, author of the Yasmin series, Marya Khan series, Yusuf Azeem is Not a Hero, and more, will talk about her author journey, highlight some of her popular books, and discuss themes of friendship and family as they pertain to her work. There will be time for a Q&A at the end, too! Educators in Richmond Hill can register their classes by emailing programming@rhpl.ca.

Zoom [Register here](#)

Oct. 9 / 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Reading Buddies

Ages: 6-8 years

Reading Buddies is back! Kids will be paired with high school volunteers to practice reading aloud and participate in activities such as storytelling and games that make literacy fun.

Classroom, Richmond Green Branch

[Register here](#)

Tues. / Sept. 10 - Oct. 29 / 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Fun Finances

Ages: 9-12 years

Learning about finances and money can be fun! This program is based on Money Laughs, which is produced by the Canadian Foundation for Economic Education (CFEE), for Just For Laughs Gags.

Classroom, Richmond Green Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 10, 24 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Kids

(12 years and under)

Registered Programs:

First LEGO League Challenge

Ages: 9-12 years

Join us while 18844 Pr0Teens, a community FIRST Tech Challenge team, leads participants through building a basic Lego Spike Prime robot that can drive with pre-programmed code, pick up objects, and use sensors.

Classroom, Richmond Green Branch

[Register here](#)

Thursdays / Sept. 12-26 / 4-5 p.m.

Junior Genius

Ages: 4-6 years w/ caregivers

Learn early STEAM concepts with stories and hands-on activities.

Caregivers will stay with their little one to learn and play together.

Auditorium, Richvale Branch

Sept.: [Register here](#)

Oct.: [Register here](#)

Sept. 7; Oct. 12 / 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Tinkercad and 3D Scanning

Ages: 9-12 years

Unleash your creativity with Tinkercad! This fun and interactive session introduces the basics of 3D modeling, and digital fabrication for kids.

Room C, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Sept 28th / 10:30-11:30a.m

Javascript: Level 1

Ages: 9-12 years

Learn the fundamentals of the widely used and versatile coding language, Javascript in this introductory six-week course led by CodeSky Inc. Cost: \$80.

Computer Lab, 2nd Floor,

Oak Ridges branch [Register here](#)

Wed. / Sept. 11- Oct. 16 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

P.A. Day: Film Camp in a Box

Ages: 8-12 years

Want to create your own spooky film from start to finish? Join Film Camp in a Box for a fun-filled day of filming, editing, and using your creativity to direct the next best horror film!

Cost: \$75

Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 21 / 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Drop-In Programs:

Chess Club

Ages: 6-12 years

Drop by the library and play chess with friends. Learn tips and tricks with volunteer organization, Chess in the Library.

Auditorium, Richvale Branch

Fridays / Sept. 13 - Oct. 25 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Want more fun?

Check out [page 3](#) for a full list of programs from culture days.

**CULTURE
DAYS**



Family (All Ages)

Registered Programs:

Sensory Storytime and Resource Discovery

Drop in to the library to learn about Kinark Autism Services while connecting with other families over stories and crafts. This program supports children and youth with complex needs and their families. Visit the Kinark Autism Services website to register for this program.

Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 10 / 4-5:30 p.m.

Drop-In Programs:

Musical Afternoons

Ages: Family (all ages)

Join us for musical afternoons, with James Brown Jazz Duo on September 7; and the Celebration Duo (classical guitar and flute) on October 5.

Cafe Louise, Central Branch

Sept. 7, Oct. 5 / 2-3 p.m.

P.A. Day Fun!

Family (all ages)

Spend your P.A. Day with us! Drop by your local branch to check out different hands-on activities. Caregivers must stay with their children.

Central Library, Children's Area and Oak Ridges Rooms 1+2

Sept. 27 / 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Richvale Auditorium and Richmond Green Children's Department
Sept. 27 / 2-4 p.m.

Central Library Children's Area and Oak Ridges Rooms 1+2
Oct. 21 / 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Richmond Green Children's Department
Oct. 21 / 2-4 p.m.

Electronics and Old Tech Donation Drive

Want to reduce your e-waste? Free Geek Toronto will be at Central Branch to collect your old or unwanted electronics! Free Geek Toronto uses industry-standard data destruction for all items that will be reused. Anything that can't be reused is physically damaged and stored until it is sent to their processor, Quantum Lifecycle, to be properly recycled. To see what items are accepted and to find out more, visit Free Geek Toronto's website freegeektoronto.org/donate.

Lobby, Central Branch

Sept. 14 / 2-4 p.m.

Craftivities

Ages: Family (all ages)

Drop by for a fun afternoon! In September, create your own book. In October, it's about all things fall!

Children's Area, Central Branch

Sept. 18, Oct. 16 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Culture Days

Ages: Family (all ages)

Drop by for a whirlwind of music, dance, and visual arts as we transform our Central Library into a lively Culture Days Hub! Learn more at

rhpl.ca/culture-days

Central Branch

Sept. 21 / 12 - 4 p.m.

Family Maker Hour

Ages: Families (all ages)

Drop by the library to try a maker activity that the whole family will enjoy. What can you create? We ask that caregivers stay with their children for the duration of this program.

Children's Area, Richmond Green Branch
Oct. 8 / 1-4 p.m.

Room 1+2, 1st Floor, Oak Ridges Branch
Oct. 15 / 4-5 p.m.

Children's Area, 1st Floor, Central Branch
Oct. 22 / 4-5 p.m.

Auditorium, Richvale Branch
Oct. 29 / 4-5 p.m.

Spooky Saturday

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon of spooky crafts and activities.

Come dressed in your costume or Halloween best! Caregivers are asked to stay with their children for the duration of this program.

Children's Area, 1st Floor, Central Branch
Oct. 26 / 2-4 p.m.

Halloween Bash

Ages: Families (all ages)

Get ready for Richvale Branch's Spooktacular Halloween Bash! Check out our ghoulish crafts table, participate in fun activities, and join our costume parade.

Auditorium, Richvale Branch
Oct. 30 / 4-6 p.m.

Women's History Month

Check out the a curated booklist to help celebrate Women's History Month in October.

rhpl.ca/timely-topics

Babies, Toddlers & Preschool

Drop-In Programs:

Zumbini

Ages: 0-6 years w/ caregiver

Experience the rhythm of music and movement through Zumbini! Bond with your child while helping them to develop cognitive abilities, motor and social skills, and emotional wellbeing. Plus, caregivers can get in a fun workout, too! Presented by EarlyON Child and Family Centres. Bring your dancing shoes! Comfy indoor shoes are encouraged for this program. Participants must have an EarlyON account to attend this program. Please create an account by visiting the EarlyON website. There will also be opportunity to create the account before the program begins. Tickets will be handed out 15 minutes before the program begins.

Room 1+2, 1st Floor, Oak Ridges Branch
Tues. / Sept. 3 - Oct. 29 / 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Family Storytime

Ages: All Ages

Talk, read, sing, write, and play with us as we share stories, games, rhymes, and songs! Designed for babies/toddlers and their caregiver. Tickets will be handed out 15 minutes before the program begins.

Auditorium, Richvale Branch
Tues. / Sept. 3 - Oct. 29 / 10:30-11:00 a.m.

Room 1+2, 1st Floor, Oak Ridges Branch
Wed. / Sept. 4 - Oct. 30 / 10:30-11:00 a.m.

Children's Program Room, 2nd floor,
Central Branch
Thurs. / Sept. 5 - Oct. 31 / 10:30-11:00 a.m.

Musical Babies

Ages: 0-12 months w/ caregiver

Experience music with your little one! Sing songs, learn rhymes and use a variety of musical instruments, props and materials. Presented by EarlyON Child and Family Centres. Participants must have an EarlyON account to attend this program. Please create an account by visiting the EarlyON website. There will also be opportunity to create the account before the program begins. Tickets will be handed out 15 minutes before the program begins.

Auditorium, Richvale Branch
Wed. / Sept. 4 - Oct. 30 / 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Songs, Rhymes, and Stories in Mandarin/Cantonese

Ages: 0-6 years w/ caregiver

Experience a variety of stories and musical activities that bring our community together. Hear and share songs, rhymes and stories in Mandarin and Cantonese during this storytime for caregivers and children. Presented by EarlyON Child and Family Centres. Children's Area, Richmond Green Branch
Sept. 21 / 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Songs, Rhymes, and Stories in Farsi

Ages: 0-6 years w/ caregiver

Experience a variety of stories and musical activities that bring our community together. Hear and share songs, rhymes and stories in Farsi in this storytime for caregivers and children. Presented by EarlyON Child and Family Centres.

Children's Area, 1st Floor, Central Branch
Oct. 5 / 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Babytime

Ages: Babies w/ caregiver

Join us for songs, rhymes, tickles, and bounces. This program is designed for babies and their caregiver. Tickets will be handed out 15 minutes before the program begins.

Children's Program Room, 2nd floor,
Central Branch
Thurs. / Sept. 5 - Oct. 31 / 1-1:30 p.m.

Stories & Crafts

Ages: 2-5 w/ caregiver

It's an arts-centric storytime! Listen to a story or two and explore a hands-on craft with your 2-5 year old. Tickets will be handed out 15 minutes before the program begins.

Auditorium, Richvale Branch
Fri. / Sept. 6 - Oct. 25 / 10:30-11:00 a.m.

A Musical Babies Saturday

Ages: 0-12 months w/ caregiver

Experience music with your little one! Sing songs, learn rhymes and use a variety of musical instruments, props and materials. Presented by EarlyON Child and Family Centres. Participants must have an EarlyON account to attend this program. Please create an account by visiting the EarlyON website. There will also be opportunity to create the account before the program begins. Tickets will be handed out 15 minutes before the program begins.

Classroom, Richmond Green Branch
Oct. 19 / 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Teens

(13-17 years)



Registered Programs:

Teen Community Leaders

Make meaningful contributions to your community and develop leadership skills alongside other teens. Volunteer hours will be given to participants.

Classroom, Richmond Green Branch

[Register here](#)

Sept. 9, 23; Oct. 7, 21 / 4-5:30 p.m.

Spookify Your Painting

Enhance your creativity with this unique painting experience. Receive a pre-painted canvas and transform it into your own spooky creation!

Room B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 24 / 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Teen Hub: Dragon Eye Creations

Join us and learn how to make a dragon eye with polymer clay.

Room B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Sept. 10 / 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Photogrammetry and Fusion 360

Learn the basics of computer-aided design (CAD) and bring your creative ideas to life with hands-on experience in 3D modeling and digital fabrication.

Cost: \$15

Room C, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct 26th / 2-3:30p.m.

Want more?

Check out [pages 9-11](#) for some teen friendly programs.

Teen Community Leaders

Our Teen Community Leaders program works with local community groups to give back and help teens learn leadership skills while volunteering. Do you have a project or initiative that teens can get involved with? Send an email to programming@rhpl.ca with more information.

Adults

Registered Programs:

Digital Marketing for Small Business

Join Alan Luk, Small Business Consultant from the Richmond Hill Small Business Enterprise Centre, to learn how digital marketing techniques can help you reach prospective customers, while engaging your current ones.

Zoom [Register here](#)
Sept. 3 / 6:30-8 p.m.

English Language Learners Cafe

Join us each week to practice your English conversation skills with other newcomers and English language learners. This series is offered in partnership with Catholic Community Services of York Region (CCSYR) through Library Settlement Partnerships (LSP). To register, email cel@ccsy.org.

Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch
[Register here](#)
Tues., Sept. 3 - Oct. 29 / 6-7:30 p.m.

Auditorium, Richvale Branch
[Register here](#)
Thurs., Sept. 5 - Oct. 31 / 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Tea 101

Learn about the five main classifications of tea with Monarch Tea Co Inc. founder and Tea Sommelier, Katie Cyr. Guests are encouraged to bring their own mugs, and will be sampling teas throughout. Cost: \$20. Teens welcome.

Room 1+2, 1st Floor, Oak Ridges Branch
[Register here](#)
Sept. 9 / 7-8p.m.

Gardening on a Budget: Seed Saving

Learn how to start seeds in the Fall and Winter with the Lake Simcoe South Master Gardeners. Discover seed types and get tips for collecting and preserving them for future seed sowing.
Room 1+2, 1st Floor, Oak Ridges Branch
[Register here](#)
Sept. 11 / 7-8 p.m.

One-on-One Tech Help

Need help printing, downloading forms or setting up your email? Book a one-on-one help session for tech assistance from a high-school volunteer. Each session is 30 mins. You will meet with our staff and the teen volunteers at the 3rd floor reference desk.
3rd Floor, Central Branch [Register here](#)
Wed., bi-weekly / Sept. 11, 25; Oct. 9, 23 / 4-5:30 p.m.

Writers Workshops

Calling all York Region writers! Join us for monthly Writing Workshops presented by local writers from WCYR (Writers' Community of York Region). Hyacinthe Miller will be presenting.
Sept. 4: Resources for Writers
Oct. 2: Writing Your Life. Be sure to also check out our Writing Circle program on our website. Each month, the group will meet to share work, practice writing, and get advice from others in a welcoming and informal writer's circle.
Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch
Sept.: [Register here](#)
Oct.: [Register here](#)
Sept. 4; Oct. 2 / 6:30-8 p.m.

Get Artsy: Ukrainian Folk Art

Join artist Mariya Blyznuk and celebrate Ukrainian Heritage Month as you create a traditional lucky horseshoe to hang in your home or give to a loved one. All materials provided. Cost: \$15. Teens welcome (15+).
Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch
[Register here](#)
Sept. 12 / 6-8 p.m.

Sewing 101: Hair Scrunchies

Whether you want to learn the foundations or refresh your skills, join Gellis from Infinite Modesty Design, as she teaches you how to create hair scrunchies. Sewing machine and fabrics provided. Teens welcome.
Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch
[Register here](#)
Sept. 14 / 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

The Wonders of Beeswax: Candle-Making

Join a professional beekeeper from Alveole Bees as they guide you through the artisanal process of making hand-dipped beeswax candles in this interactive workshop. Learn all about the uses of beeswax, its production in the hive, and leave with your own pair of hand-made 100% beeswax candles. Cost: \$20
Room 1+2, 1st Floor, Oak Ridges Branch
[Register here](#)
Sept. 16 / 7-8 p.m.

Library Speakers Consortium

From John Irving to Tessa Bailey, enjoy virtual events with your favourite authors from the comfort of your home! Visit the Library Speakers Consortium page to see upcoming events.

rhpl.ca/tune-virtual-author-talks

Adults

Registered Programs Continued:

Wellness Wednesdays:

Book Social

Join us for a community-led, wellness-themed book club with some light yoga, hosted in partnership with the South Central Richmond Hill Community Action Table. Light snacks will be provided. Contact rthreads20@gmail.com to register.

Room A, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Sept 18; Oct 9 / 2-3 p.m.

Hot Topics: The Artificial Intelligence Ultimatum

As Artificial Intelligence (AI) becomes more embedded in our lives, are we adapting or are we adopting? Join Marcel O’Gorman for an informative talk on Artificial Intelligence. Marcel O’Gorman is University Research Chair and Professor of English Language and Literature at the University of Waterloo. He is also Director of Critical Media Lab (CML), located in Downtown Kitchener, Ontario. This program will be done through Zoom, a free video conferencing software for tablets, smartphones and computers. Access instructions will be sent to those who register.

Zoom [Register here](#)

Sept. 19 / 7-8 p.m.

Film Club

Join our monthly film club to chat about top-rated features with film enthusiasts. This fall, let’s meet in person again, for pizza parties and films!

September: *Big Night* (directed by and starring Stanley Tucci).

October: *My Love Affair With Marriage*. Director Signe Baumane will join us for Q&A, via Zoom from New York City.

Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Sept. 23, Oct. 28 / 6-8:30 p.m.

Coffee 101: Taste and Learn

Looking to make the best cup of coffee? Join Kara Isert, owner of Sparkplug Coffee, for this interactive and educational workshop where you’ll learn the secrets to perfecting your coffee routine, while sampling different coffees to find your perfect match. Cost: \$15.

Room 1+2, 1st Floor, Oak Ridges Branch

[Register here](#)

Sept. 26 / 6:30-8 p.m.

Breast Cancer Awareness: Paint and Learn

Join us for an educational session on breast health led by an experienced oncology nurse, while painting pink pumpkins that will be displayed at the Library in honour of breast cancer awareness. All supplies and light refreshments will be provided. All proceeds will be donated to Breast Cancer Canada. Cost: \$10. Breast Cancer Awareness Month takes place October 1-31 every year.

Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 3 / 6:30-8 p.m.

Embroidery with Artist: Par Nair

Through guided instruction you will learn to create a portrait (face only) using hand embroidery. Please bring a photograph of yourself or someone you love to work from! Embroidery materials will be provided. You will come away from this workshop with a small hand embroidered portrait.

This workshop is suitable for all levels, including folks who are new to hand embroidery! Cost: \$25. Teens welcome.

Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 5 / 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Kitchen Creations:

Cozy Seasonal Soups

Join Elizabete Ludviks, owner of Zupa Zupa, for an interactive soup making workshop. Sample three different soups and leave with recipes to keep you comforted and cozy throughout the cool Fall months. Cost \$15.

Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

Oct. 7 / 6:30-8 p.m. [Register here](#)

3D Printing: Fusion 360

Learn the basics of 3D modeling and design and gain hands-on experience with industry-standard CAD software. No prior experience needed—perfect for hobbyists, makers, and anyone interested in exploring the world of digital fabrication! Cost: \$20

Room C, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 9 / 7-8:30p.m.

Get Artsy

Come and learn how to weave colourful bookmarks using a plastic canvas. Materials provided. Teens welcome.

Room A, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 10 / 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Adults

Registered Programs Continued:

Resin Art

Learn something new with local studio Let's Make It! Experience the technique of resin art and go home with your own creation. Cost: \$20.

Teens welcome.

Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 12 / 2-3:30p.m.

Hot Topics: The Fate of the Ontario Science Centre and Why Public Spaces Matter

Why do public spaces like the Ontario Science Centre matter? Join architects from the renowned MJMA architecture firm for a discussion about the importance of striking a healthy balance between private and public realms. This program will be done through Zoom, a free video conferencing software for tablets, smartphones and computers. Access instructions will be sent to those who register.

Zoom [Register here](#)

Oct. 17 / 7-8 p.m.

Listen, Learn, and Taste with Radio Host Priya Chopra

Come and learn about South Asian music: enjoy a cup of chai and delve into Diwali melodies. Priya Chopra is a radio host (RJ) with 105.9FM The Region. Her show The Junction offers the sounds of South Asia - contemporary and classic tracks of Urdu, Hindi and Punjabi music. Teens welcome.

Room A, Central Branch [Register here](#)

Oct. 24 / 7-8 p.m.

Tea Blending

Make your own tea blends and learn how to sip like a sommelier with Monarch Tea Co Inc. founder and Tea Sommelier, Katie Cyr! In this interactive workshop you will explore over a dozen herbs, fruits and spices and create 3 of your own loose leaf tea blends to take home. Guests are encouraged to bring their own mugs, and will be sampling teas. Cost: \$25.

Teens welcome.

Room 1+2, 1st Floor, Oak Ridges Branch

[Register here](#)

Oct. 28 / 6:30-8p.m.

Small Business 1:1 Consults

Request an appointment for a virtual session with a Small Business Consultant from the Richmond Hill Small Business Enterprise Centre.

eservices.richmondhill.ca/ecdev/SB-Inquiries



Adults

Drop-In Programs:

Writing Circle

Calling all York Region writers! We're launching a collaborative space for adult writers of all skill levels. Join our new Writing Circle at the library to share your work, practice your writing, and get advice from others in a welcoming and informal writer's circle. Be sure to also check out our Writing Workshops led by local Writers' Community of York Region (WCYR) presenters on our website.
Room A+B, 2nd Floor, Central Branch
Sept. 18; Oct. 16 / 6:30-8 p.m.

Stitch-in-Public Day

Chat and stitch with the York Chatelaines as they celebrate National Stitch-in-Public Day! Teens welcome.
Events Room, 3rd Floor, Central Branch
Sept. 28 / 1-4 p.m.

Chit Chat Socials

Make new friends, enjoy some games, or simply chat over a cup of tea during this casual friendly gathering.
Auditorium, Richvale Branch
Thurs., Oct. 3, 17, 31 / 2-3:30 p.m.

Crochet Cafe

Join us every month for this drop in, self-directed crocheting, embroidery or knitting circle in our cafe space. This program will take place in Cafe Louise. Teens welcome.
Cafe Area, 1st Floor, Central Branch
Sept. 23, Oct. 28 / 4-5 p.m.

Halloween Haunt: Silent Book Club

Try the new Silent Book Club trend this Halloween by visiting the Library to read quietly together with other book-lovers. Perfect for introverts, bibliophiles, and Halloween enthusiasts. Avoid the loud parties and trick-or-treat with a good book instead. Costumes encouraged!
Cafe Area, 1st Floor, Central Branch
Oct. 31 / 6:30-8 p.m.

Small Business Market

Kick off Small Business Week at RHPL! Shop and support our curated vendors while connecting with small businesses and learning how the Richmond Hill Small Business Enterprise Centre can support your entrepreneurship goals. Celebrate Small Business Week this October 20 -26.
Events Room, 3rd Floor, Central Branch
Oct. 19 / 1-4 p.m.

Indie Author Day:

Ages: Adults
Are you a self-published author? Have you had your work published by an independent press? Participate in our annual Indie Author Day book fair event on November 2nd, where we celebrate local writers! Meet new readers, sell your books, and connect with other authors. Check out the website for more details about applying to participate. Teens welcome.

Applications open on September 16 and close on October 4.

CULTURE DAYS

Yes, at the library!

Drop by for a whirlwind of music, dance, and visual arts as we transform our Central Library into a lively Culture Days Hub! Visit our website to learn more.

rhpl.ca/culture-days

**Saturday,
Sept. 21,
12-4 p.m.**



**Central
Branch**

**Family
(all ages)**



Celebrate Literacy!

Literacy is the foundation for personal growth, empowerment, and success. By embracing and developing a wide range of literacy skills, you can navigate and thrive in our increasingly complex world.

RHPL is dedicated to promoting equitable access to knowledge and empowering individuals of all ages and backgrounds. Our diverse programs, resources, and activities cater to various interests and learning styles, fostering an inclusive and engaging learning environment.

Visit the library to discover book displays, interactive programs, and resources that celebrate the many facets of literacy. Whether you're looking to enhance your digital skills, delve into cultural histories, or improve your financial knowledge, RHPL is your gateway to a world of learning and empowerment.

Learn more about the different types of literacy at rhpl.ca/literacy



National Day for Truth and Reconciliation



September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in Canada. Discover curated booklists and resources for parents and teachers that explore issues around reconciliation and Indigenous lives impacted by residential schools.

Learn more and explore other reconciliation resources:

rhpl.ca/truth-and-reconciliation

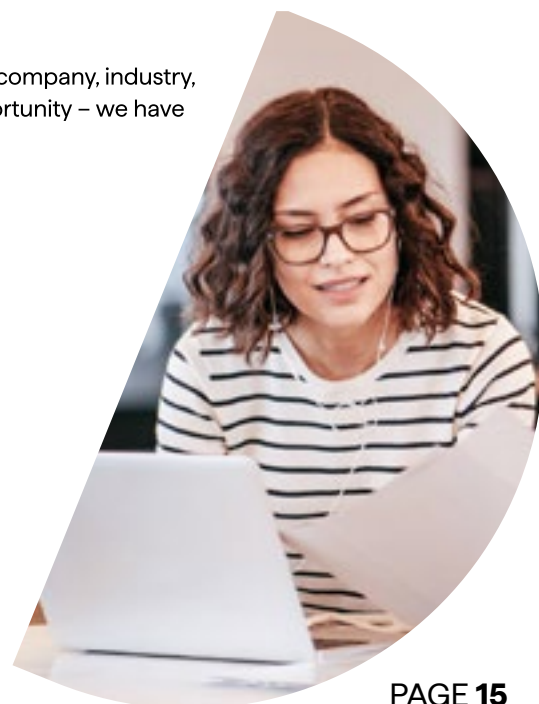
Resources for Businesses and Entrepreneurs?

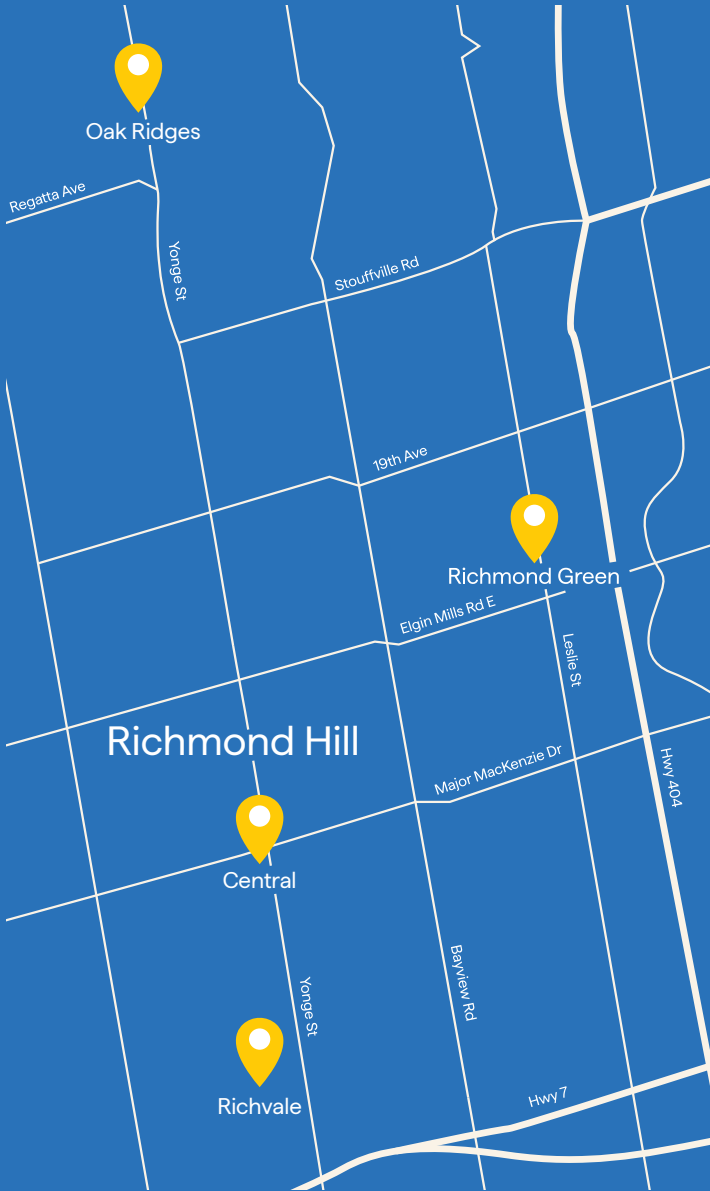
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It takes a village to build a business! Whether you're seeking information on a particular company, industry, or product for market research, competitive intelligence, or an exciting investment opportunity – we have resources for you.

Learn more:

rhpl.ca/browse-library/resources/businesses-entrepreneurs





Central Branch
1 Atkinson Street
905.884.9288

Mon-Thurs
9:30 a.m.-9 p.m.
Friday
9:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday
10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday
12 p.m.-5 p.m.

Oak Ridges Branch
34 Regatta Avenue
905.773.5533

Mon-Thurs
10 a.m.-9 p.m.
Friday
10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday
10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday
12 p.m.-5 p.m.

Richmond Green Branch
1 William F. Bell Parkway
905.780.0711

Mon-Thurs
10 a.m.-8 p.m.
Friday
10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday
10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday
Closed

Richvale Branch
40 Pearson Avenue
905.889.2847

Sun / Mon
Closed
Tues / Wed
10 a.m.-8 p.m.
Thurs / Fri
10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday
10 a.m.-5 p.m.

All locations are wheelchair accessible. For more information on location features, visit rhpl.ca







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