

Haldimand Playbook

Winter 2024/2025



EXPLORE, ENGAGE, GET ACTIVE!

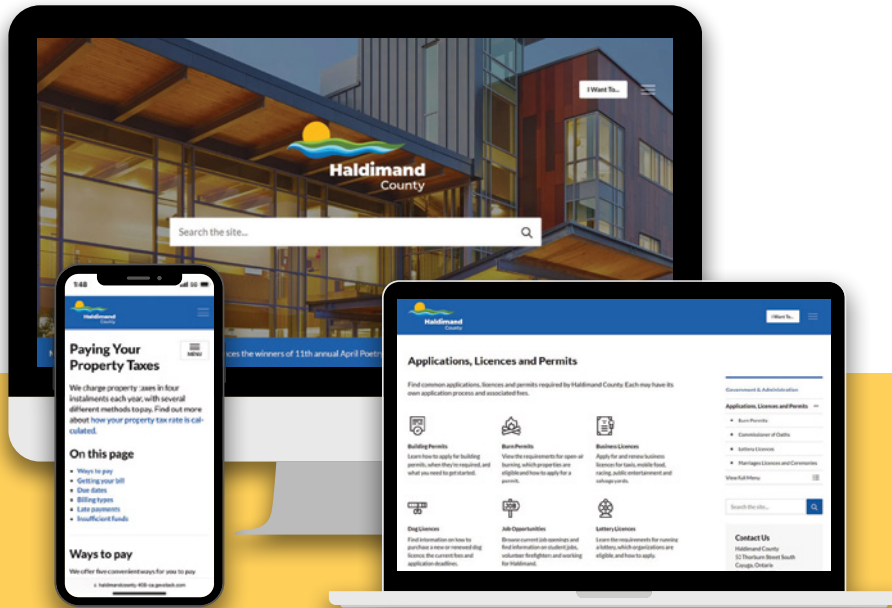


The New [HaldimandCounty.ca](https://www.haldimandcounty.ca)





Check out the new and improved
haldimandcounty.ca



We designed the new site so you can find the information that matters to you, *faster*.

- Better search.
- Easier navigation.
- Improved functionality.
- New service features, including online applications.
- Up-to-date news and programming information.



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There's a definite chill in the air, but there's no shortage of fun to be had in Haldimand County!

Whether you're a new or long-time resident—or just visiting our beautiful municipality—Haldimand County has plenty to offer in the way of recreation experiences and programming for all ages.

We can't wait to help you start making more new memories!

Stay in the know!

Visit HaldimandCounty.ca or follow us on social media for news, program information, upcoming events and more.



Scan here for our website!

Get Involved

Do you enjoy new experiences and meeting new people?

Are you looking to get involved in your community?

Consider volunteering!

For more information, contact: cdp@haldimandcounty.on.ca



Connect

Connecting with Haldimand County at any time of day has never been easier.



Scan here for our **NEW** website!

Visit the new and improved haldimandcounty.ca to find everything you need—from contact information to news, things to do and more.

Visit us in person at the Haldimand County Administration Building (HCAB), 53 Thorburn Street South, Cayuga, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm daily. Fully accessible, the building has ongoing exhibits and HCTV (Heritage & Culture Television) to showcase the diverse history of the County.

General Inquiries

905-318-5932 or info@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Need help accessing municipal services or information?

Visit your local Library Branch's myHC kiosk to:

- Browse the website;
- Register for programming and pay bills online; and
- Get up-to-date County news and information.

Staff are available to help if you have questions about County services or need assistance finding information.

myHC kiosks are open during regular hours at all Library Branches.



Look for the myHC sign!

Facilities

Facility Rentals and Registration

Find the perfect location to host your next sporting activity, meeting, family gathering, birthday party or special event in Haldimand County!



Caledonia (HCCC) Arena

📍 100 Haddington St. Caledonia
☎ 905-318-5932 x6514



Cayuga Memorial Arena

📍 55 Thorburn St. South Cayuga
☎ 905-772-5711



Dunnville Memorial Arena

📍 275 Ramsey Dr. Dunnville
☎ 905-774-8480



Hagersville Memorial Arena

📍 36 Sherring St. North Hagersville
☎ 905-768-5123

Planning a summer event or activity?

For details about the parks, pavilions, pools, and ball fields you can rent, contact rentals@haldimandcounty.on.ca or 905-318-5932, ext. 6507 for their locations, fees and availability.



Check out all of the rental spaces available, including pavilions, arena ice, community rooms, formal halls and more on the new haldimandcounty.ca.

Community Halls

Community Halls

Haldimand County is proud to support Community Halls, many of which are operated by community volunteers and can be rented for life/family events, meetings, trade shows, activities and much more. Call the contacts listed below for rental information.

NOTE: Community Halls have provincially-legislated policies and guidelines related to Special Occasion Permits, Smart Serve and Food Preparation.

Caledonia LIONS Community Centre

📍 5-100 Haddington St., Caledonia
📞 Ted Fletcher, 905-765-3222
hallrental@caledonialionsclub.com

Canboro Community Centre

📍 7 Darling St., Canboro
📞 Melinda Ruigrok, 289-237-2806
ruigrokacres@gmail.com

Canfield Community Centre

📍 50 Talbot Rd., Canfield
📞 Stacy & Bart Barnes, 905-772-5790
stacytonerbarnes@yahoo.com

Cayuga Arena – McSorley Hall

📍 55 Thorburn St. S., Cayuga
📞 905-318-5932, ext. 6507
rentals@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Cayuga Kinsmen Community Centre

📍 15 Thorburn St. S., Cayuga
📞 905-902-8455
cayugakinsmen@kincanada.ca

Cayuga Seniors Drop-In Centre

📍 14 McKay St. E., Cayuga
📞 Ken & Mary Martindale, 905-772-3223

Dunnville Community Lifespan Centre

📍 275 Ramsey Dr., Dunnville
📞 Gertie Mellen, 289-331-0800
pgmellen@hotmail.com

Fisherville Community Centre

📍 18 Main Ave. W., Fisherville
📞 Holly Nagel, 905-973-5345
funnygirl1954@gmail.com

Hagersville Arena – Almas Room

📍 36 Sherring St. N., Hagersville
📞 905-318-5932 ext. 6507
rentals@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Haldimand Agricultural Community Centre

📍 1084 Kohler Rd., Cayuga
📞 Don Elfner, 905-531-9587
dwelfner@hotmail.ca



Haldimand County Caledonia Centre – Remax Room

📍 3-100 Haddington St., Caledonia
📞 905-318-5932, ext. 6507
rentals@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Jarvis Community Centre

📍 18 James St., Jarvis
📞 Rob Reeder, 519-587-4670
r.reeder@rogers.com

Jarvis Lawn Bowling Club

📍 2020 Main St. S, Jarvis
📞 Carrie McBride, 226-931-2905

Lowbanks Community Centre

📍 2633 North Shore Dr., Lowbanks
📞 Ron Poth, 905-701-1153
ronpoth@hotmail.com

Nanticoke Community Hall

📍 38 Rainham Rd., Nanticoke
📞 Jen Weaver, 519-429-8343
jsar9461@gmail.com

Selkirk Centennial Community Centre

📍 38 Main St. W., Selkirk
📞 Selkirk Library, 289-674-0400

Seneca Centennial Hall

📍 33 Nelles St. E., York
📞 Sheila Berry, 905-765-4155

Townsend Lions Hall

📍 58 Forest Park Dr., Townsend
📞 Bill McKenzie 519-587-5558
wookie_mac@hotmail.com

Thank you for supporting your local Community Hall!



Skating

Arena Programming— Winter 2024/2025

Haldimand County offers a variety of **free skating programs which provide residents and visitors with options to stay active and promote wellness.**

Haldimand's Winter Programming Schedule is available at all four Arena locations, from October 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025. Special programs are also offered on PA Days, Family Day and during March Break.

Please note, programs are subject to change. You can learn more about programs offered at the new [haldimandcounty.ca](https://www.haldimandcounty.ca) and check out the most current schedule at link.haldimandcounty.on.ca.

Ice programs are free and no registration is required. Please review the rules and requirements of each program.

General Arena Rules

- All Participants** must respect and abide by posted sign and cooperate with Arena staff. Rules are modelled from the Ontario Recreation Facilities Association Inc., Public Skating Guidelines (Sept. 2018).
 - Parents/Guardians** must be within sight and control of their children. Do not leave children unattended.
- Food & Beverage Consumption** is only permitted in the Arena lobby and spectator seating areas.
- Games, Hockey Games and/or Hockey Sticks:** No games are to be played at any time that will endanger the safety and/or enjoyment of others. This includes horseplay, hockey games and the use of hockey sticks.
- Keeping Pace:** Maintain reasonable control of your speed, course and direction. Do not skate in groups. Do not stop where you obstruct other skaters. Accept responsibility for knowing the range of your ability while on skates, and skate within the limits of that ability and as appropriate to the session in which you are skating.



- Shoes** are not allowed on the ice; ice skates are required.
 - Skating Aids** are only permitted during Pre-School Skate.
 - Wheelchairs/Sledges** are welcome. Individuals using these devices must travel in the same direction as other skaters. Attendants/helpers are welcome to assist individuals; however, they must wear skates or ice cleats on the ice surface.
 - Use of Helmets** is strongly recommended.
 - Technology:** Headsets, cell phones, cameras or other handheld electronic devices are not to be used while skating.
 - Carrying of Infants/Children** on the ice, by any means (e.g. on shoulders, in arms or in a carrier), is not allowed.
 - Sitting on Boards:** Patrons may not sit on the rink boards at any time.
 - Figure Skating** manoeuvres are only permitted during Open Figure Skate.
- 13. Chairs, Sleds, Strollers and Pylons ARE NOT permitted** on the ice surface at any time.

Skating Programs

Child's Hockey Skate

This is an opportunity for children to develop hockey skills. Please note hockey sticks and pucks are permitted on the ice surface. This session is for children up to and in Grade 3.

- All participants must be in skates;
- All participants must be supervised by a parent/guardian on the ice;
- Wearing CSA-approved helmets is **mandatory**;
- Facemasks are **mandatory** for anyone under 18 years of age; and,
- It is recommended that all participants wear full hockey equipment.

Shinny

This is an opportunity to participate in self-organized, non-contact hockey. Wearing a CSA-approved helmet is mandatory. Facemasks are mandatory for anyone under 18 years of age.

- **Adult Shinny:** Open to those 18 years and older.
- **Teen Shinny:** Open to participants in Grade 9 to 17 years.
- **Youth Shinny:** Open to participants in Grades 4 to 8.

Adult Skate

This is an opportunity for lap skating and is open to those 18 years and older. Wearing CSA-approved helmets is strongly recommended.

Open Figure Skate

Open to all figure skaters who are currently in or who have previously participated in Skate Canada's STARSkate program. All skaters are expected to be aware of others on the ice and maintain a safe environment for all. Wearing a CSA-approved helmet is strongly recommended.

Pre-School Skate

This is an opportunity for adults to teach children how to skate. This session is for children up to and including Grade 3.

- All participants must be in skates;
- All children must be supervised by a parent/guardian on the ice;
- Wearing a CSA-approved helmet is strongly recommended;
- Skating aids are permitted for this program;
- No hockey sticks or figure skating allowed; and,
- Chairs, sleds, strollers and pylons are not permitted on the ice surface.

Ice Rentals

For private rentals, the rules applicable to on-ice activity will be enforced. Please call 905-318-5932, ext. 6507 or email rentals@haldimandcounty.on.ca for all rental inquiries.

Inclusion Opportunities

Individuals who wish to participate in on-ice activities using their wheelchair or ice sledge are welcome to join the following programs: Public Skate, Pre-School Skate and Adult Skate.

Walking Tracks

Winter Hours:
8:00 am daily until Arena close.



The County has indoor walking tracks in the Caledonia (HCCC), Cayuga and Dunnville Arenas. Access to the recreational tracks is **FREE** and requires no pre-registration.

Walking tracks are closed during scheduled Junior and Senior AA games. Closing hours depend on Arena bookings; please call the Arena to confirm open and closing times.

Recreation Programs

March Break Camp— Welcome to the Wild West!

Join us for a full week of programming featuring active games, crafts and sports centred around a Wild West theme; leave having explored your creativity, engaged in movement, built lasting friendships and made unforgettable memories.

High Five-certified camp counsellors will ensure each day is filled with fun and exciting experiences.

All program participants must adhere to the Camper Code of Conduct to maintain a safe and enjoyable environment for all.

Keep an eye on your email the week before camp for a welcome message.

Please note one-to-one inclusion counsellors are not available during our March Break Camps; however, participants may bring a pre-approved support worker. Please contact us for more details at recreation@haldimandcounty.on.ca.

Daily extended care is available beginning at 7:30 am and ending at 5:30 pm for an additional cost.

Dates	Monday, March 10–Friday, March 14, 2025
Time	8:30 am–4:30 pm
Age Range	4–12 years
Locations Offered	Cayuga Memorial Arena, Caledonia Presbyterian Church, Cayuga Arena, Dunnville TBD, Hagersville Arena, Jarvis Anglican Hall
Cost	\$126.75 per child
Extended Care	\$5.50 per session, per day. AM care starts at 7:30 am; PM care is until 5:30 pm



**March Break
Registration Opens
February 5th**



HIGH FIVE® Principles of Healthy Childhood Development (PHCD)

The course provides hands-on training of the five principles and design guidelines of Healthy Child Development, ensuring frontline leaders understand their role in meeting each child's social, emotional and cognitive needs.

Course fee: \$75.25

This four-hour training course helps frontline leaders (anyone working with children aged 4 to 12 years such as a camp counsellor, coach, swim instructor, etc.) improve the quality of programs.

The course provides in-depth training in the HIGH FIVE® Principles of Healthy Child Development, ensuring frontline leaders understand their role in meeting each child's social, emotional and cognitive needs. Leaders learn activities and gain knowledge, tips and resources to enhance their programs as well as their relationships with children and other staff members.

Upon completion of this training, learners will be able to:

- ▶ Design an activity plan that enhances a child's healthy development;
- ▶ Build healthy relationships in all areas of programming for children;
- ▶ Create environments and spaces that foster healthy child development.

Resources

Participants receive resources related to healthy child development including the digital Principles of Healthy Child Development Workbook and related handouts.

What to Bring

Dress for movement: running shoes and comfortable clothing; a notebook and pen; a refillable water bottle, lunch and snacks.

When and Where

Friday, January 31, 2025 OR Saturday, May 31, 2025
Cayuga Arena, McSorley Family Hall, 9:00 am–1:30 pm



Health, Activity, Community Program*

*Formerly the Haldimand Abilities Centre

Check out the HAC's new programs at hac.alzda.ca

Seniors Sit to be Fit

Join us to improve your cardiovascular health, balance, weight and muscle strength!

Sit to be Fit is a **FREE** program for Seniors, hosted by Haldimand County in partnership with the Health, Activity, Community Program. To register, please call the Health, Activity, Community Program at 905-768-4488.

When and Where

Tuesdays and Thursdays

Caledonia Arena, Remax Room
10:00 am–11:00 am, 11:00 am–12:00 pm

Minds in Motion

In partnership with the Alzheimer's Society, Haldimand County is pleased to invite you to the Minds in Motion community-based social program. Through the Minds in Motion program, people living with early to mid-stage dementia will experience meaningful and beneficial socialization and stimulation through a number of activities.

To find out more about the program, please contact the Health, Activity, Community Program at 905-768-4488.

When and Where

Wednesdays

Cayuga Arena, McSorley Hall
10:30–11:30 am **OR**
11:30 am–12:30 pm



Explore

Trails, Pathways and Cycling

If you're a nature lover looking for unique trails experiences, Haldimand County is the place to be.

With more than 40 kilometers of off-road pathways and trails for walking, running and cycling and hundreds of kilometers of on-road cycling routes, we have what you're looking for whether it's a short, scenic stroll, hike or day of cycling.

As always when visiting all recreation amenities, please be respectful of others and do not litter; dispose of garbage in trash/recycling receptacles or ***please take out what you brought in.***

For more details about the trails and pathways identified below/on page 13, please check out

[HaldimandCounty.ca/recreation-facilities/trails-pathways/](https://www.haldimandcounty.ca/recreation-facilities/trails-pathways/)

PLEASE NOTE: Haldimand County's parks, recreational pathways and trails are not winter maintained. Please use at your own discretion.

Off-Road Routes

Caledonia Routes	Description
Chippewa Trail	Walk/run/cycle 2.7km of 3m wide granular trail.
Gypsum Mine Tract	Walk/run/cycle 12.2km of 3m wide granular trail.
Kinsmen Park Walkway	Paved and lit 0.3km path along the Grand River.
LaFortune Park	104-acre passive park west of Caledonia. Walk/run multiple paved and/or mulch pathways.
Patterson Walkway	Paved, 0.5km path along the Grand River.
Ramsay Walkway	Paved, 0.4km path along the Grand River.
Thistlemoor Park Pathway	Granular, 0.4km Park pathway.
Rotary Riverside Trail	Part of the Trans Canada Trail System. Seneca Park to York; 6km granular (brief portions on road).



Cayuga Routes Description

Grand Vista Trail

Award-winning granular, 3.2km trail, portions on road. Includes bridge views of the Grand River.

Dunnville Routes Description

Blue Heron Way

Granular, 1.6km trail connecting Dunnville to Niagara's Gord Harry Trail.

Downtown Walking Path

Paved, 2km route from Centennial Park to the Farmers Market.

Rail Park Pathway

Granular, 1.6km pathway between Cedar & George Streets.

Fisherville Routes Description

Tracey Hoskin-Hartwick Memorial Track

Paved path through Fisherville Lions Park; includes outdoor fitness area.

Jarvis Routes Description

Jarvis Lions Walking Trail

Paved, accessible 1.2km circular route through Jarvis Lions Park.

Selkirk Routes Description

Waterfront Way

Paved and granular, 2km on-and off-road loop, including the scenic lookout bridge across Stoney Creek, between Erie Street South and Bluewater Parkway.

Townsend Routes Description

Townsend Recreation Trail

Paved, 4km pathway suitable for walking/hiking/cycling.

Check the County's website for information about our trails network partners in neighbouring municipalities and the Grand River watershed.



Experience

Build Out Your Haldimand Experience

Looking for new experiences for yourself or your family? Adventure awaits in Haldimand County!

Haldimand County has amazing parks and recreation options for residents and visitors of all ages and interests, including:

The PATH—Paddle Art Tour Haldimand

It started with *The PATH*, and now we have *The Ripple Effect*—a second phase of six new paddles installed on Haldimand County’s trails. This public art experience continues to be popular with residents, families and visitors to Haldimand County. Be inspired by local artists who used wooden paddles—hand-made by local high school students—to create art celebrating the area’s natural beauty, wildlife, history and the importance of the Grand River and Lake Erie. QR codes at each paddle tell you the artist’s story and their inspiration. For more information about *The PATH*, go to haldimandcounty.ca/festivals-events/public-art-tour/.



Museums

Haldimand Museums Events & Activities

Haldimand Museums offer you the opportunity to connect the past to the present through a unique collection of materials, archives, artifacts and cultural programs.



Visit the new haldimandcounty.ca for more information about museum programming or email museums@haldimandcounty.on.ca.

Please note, hours of operation, events and programs are subject to change without notification; call if you are planning a visit.

Pre-registration is required for all programs/presentations with a fee; register online at link.haldimandcounty.ca or in person.

Go Virtual!

Visit Haldimand Museums online collection of exhibits, programs and curriculum at haldimandcounty.ca/heritage-culture/museum-educational-resources/

Ball Fields

Found in Caledonia, Cayuga, Dunnville, Hagersville, Fisherville, Jarvis, Selkirk, and Townsend.

Outdoor Natural Ice Rinks

Once the cold sets in, check out Haldimand County’s two outdoor natural ice rinks in Fisherville and Selkirk. Visit the County’s website HaldimandCounty.ca for updates on conditions.

Skate Parks

Found in Caledonia, Dunnville, Hagersville and Cayuga.

Pavilions and Other Facilities

Found throughout the County.

Multi-Use Courts

For tennis, pickleball, basketball and other sports in Caledonia, Cayuga, Dunnville, Hagersville, Jarvis and Townsend.

For more details about the County’s parks and sports fields—including rentals—check out HaldimandCounty.ca/recreation-facilities/parks-pavilions/

Please note: Haldimand County’s parks are not winter maintained; use at your own discretion.

Haldimand County Administration Building (HCAB)

53 Thorburn Street South, Cayuga

Hours of Operation:

Monday–Friday: 8:30 am–4:30 pm
Closed statutory holidays



Exhibitions & HCTV Programming	When
Just Add Food! + Back To School; Barbara Martindale Oral History, “For What It’s Worth”	Sept–Nov
Women at War	Nov
Happy Holidays!	Nov–Jan
International Women’s Day	Mar–Apr



Cayuga Library + Heritage Centre

19 Talbot Street West, Cayuga

Email: museums@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Phone: 905-318-5932, ext. 6613

Exhibitions

When

“For Home and County”: A History of Haldimand County’s Women’s Institute

Explore the many branches and long history of Haldimand County’s Women’s Institutes.

Cost: Donation.

Oct–Jan

See Library Hours

Hotels and Taverns

Explore the historical hotels and taverns of Haldimand County—sit down and stay a while!

Cost: Donation.

Feb–May

See Library Hours

Programs/Presentations

When

Genealogy Research Workshop

Learn how to utilize your local history archives to conduct research about your family history.

Cost: \$10/person.

Dec 10

1:00–3:00 pm

Workshop: Preserving Your Family Photos

Learn how to keep your photographs intact for future generations including storage, conservation and display. Please feel free to bring photos along for consultation.

Cost: \$10/person.

Jan 18

1:00–3:00 pm

Presentation: Historical Local Black Businesses

Cost: \$10/person.

Feb 4

6:00–8:00 pm

Presentation: The Women that Made Haldimand County

Cost: \$10/person.

March 4

6:00–8:00 pm

March Break Take-Home Kits

Pick up at Heritage Centre

Cost: \$30/person.

March 10–14

Pick-up
10:00 am–
4:30 pm

Workshop: Ukrainian Easter Egg Painting

Cost: \$30/person.

April 12

1:00–4:00 pm

Genealogy Workshop

Learn how to conduct genealogical research at the museum or at home! Bring along your family artifacts for preservation consultation.

Cost: \$10/person.

April 28

1:00–3:00 pm

Workshop: Flower Pressing

Cost: \$15/person.

May 10

1:00–3:00 pm

Log Cabin Tour

Cost: \$5/person.

May 24

1:00–3:00 pm

Wilson MacDonald Memorial School Museum

3513 Rainham Road, Selkirk

Email: museums@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Phone: 905-776-3319



Events

When

March Break—PAW-some Party

Cost: \$29.75/child/day

Mar 13

9:00 am– 4:00 pm

March Break—Silly Scientists

Cost: \$29.75/child/day

Mar 14

9:00 am– 4:00 pm

Mother’s Day Workshop

Cost: \$15/child

May 10

9:00 am– 12:00 pm

Exhibition

When

We Chair-ish You in Haldimand County

Cost: Donation.

May–June

See WMMSM hours

Become a Haldimand Museums volunteer!

This is a great way to gain hands-on experience and support arts, culture, programming and events in the County.



Edinburgh Square Heritage & Cultural Centre

80 Caithness Street East, Caledonia

Email: museums@haldimandcounty.on.ca

Phone: 905-765-3134



Workshop

When

Kid's Workshop: Into the Woods

May 24

Get ready for summer! Build your own lantern, make your own keychains and more. **Cost: \$15/person.**

9:00 am–12:00 pm

Exhibition

When

Haldimand Photography Club Annual Exhibition

April 15 – May 25

From portraits to still life and featuring amazing images created by the talented members of the Haldimand Photography Club. **Cost: Donation.**

See ESHCC hours

Events

When

Spring Trivia at the Cayuga Legion 11 Talbot St. N.

Trivia with a Twist! Haldimand Museums hosts a fast-paced evening of fun and entertainment featuring general knowledge and pop-culture questions. Doors open at 5:00 pm; dinner: 5:30–6:30 pm; Trivia starts at 6:30 pm. For information contact museums@haldimandcounty.on.ca

April 24
5:30–9:00 pm

Cost: \$30/person.

Call for Entries—Annual Juried Art Show

Visit haldimandcounty.ca/heritage-culture/ for details. **Cost: \$25/person.**

May 6–24

Annual Heritage Walk

Join the Curator for the annual walk to raise funds for exhibition and conservation projects.

Cost: \$20/person.

May 22
6:00 pm

Annual Juried Art Show—Opening Reception & Awards Presentation

Cost: Donation.

May 29
7:15 pm

Libraries

Haldimand County Public Libraries

For program schedules and registration information, access the Haldimand County Public Library's website at haldimandlibrary.ca, call us at 289-674-0400 or visit your local Branch for in-person assistance.

Caledonia Branch

100 Haddington Street

Cayuga Branch

19 Talbot Street West

Dunnville Branch

317 Chestnut Street

Hagersville Branch

13 Alma Street North

Jarvis Branch

2 Monson Street

Selkirk Branch

34 Main Street West

Programming

StoryTime

StoryTime, which is offered at all Library Branches for children ages three to five years, is a fun mix of reading, crafts, songs and meeting new friends. Early literacy is one of the best ways to prepare your child for school, and each session costs only \$10 for ten weekly StoryTimes. You can also register for individual StoryTimes at a cost of only \$1.

Tiny Tales

A ten-week program for children 0 to 2 years of age. Children and their parent/guardian participate in a fun and interactive thirty-minute session, exploring weekly themes through stories, songs and activities. The cost is \$1 per week or \$10 for the entire session. Morning sessions available at the Caledonia, Dunnville, Hagersville, Jarvis and Selkirk Branches.

Stay-and-Play

Stay-and-Play is an exciting new program offered Friday mornings at the Cayuga Branch and designed for children aged 0 to 2 years and their parent or caregiver. All sessions are free. Enjoy fifteen to twenty minutes of songs, stories, fingerplays and more while bonding and socializing. Afterwards, participants are encouraged to stay in the library to play with a selection of toys and enjoy engaging activities.



Books and Blocks

A new program offered at the Caledonia Branch on Thursday afternoons, Books and Blocks begins with a series of themed songs and stories. Children aged one to five years old, and accompanied by a participating parent or caregiver, are then encouraged to play and build with our collection of MEGA Blocks. The cost for each child is \$1 per week or \$10 for the ten-week session.

LEGO Clubs

Kids who love to build and make will love LEGO Club! Available at all Branches. After-school sessions in Caledonia, Dunnville, Hagersville and Jarvis; Saturday sessions in Cayuga and Selkirk.

PD Day and Saturday Boredom Busters

Library Branches will be offering various storytime and children's activity sessions on Saturdays and upcoming PD Days. Sessions include a Sea Otter Story Hour and craft, a Kittens-in-Sweaters craft, Squishmallow painting, parties and more. Offerings vary by

Branch; check the Library's Children's Programs webpage for dates and details.

Ukulele Club (All Ages)

Want to learn to play an instrument? Now is your chance! The Ukulele Club is open to all ages and levels of experience. Weekly classes are offered at the Dunnville Branch. Registration is required. Don't have your own ukulele? Borrow one of ours!

Red Cross Babysitting Courses

Youth aged 11 to 15 years can gain the confidence to make smart decisions and stay safe in any babysitting situation. Learn how to supervise babies, toddlers, preschoolers and school-aged children and handle common injuries and emergencies. Impress your parents, build your resume and earn extra money by being a responsible, reliable babysitter! Course fee: \$40. Check the Library's website for 2025 course dates and locations.

Dungeons & Dragons

Youth can become masters of this popular role-playing game! Monthly sessions are held at the Dunnville Branch and weekly sessions are offered at the Caledonia Branch. Players are taught everything they need to know and are led through an adventure deep into the Lost Mines of Phandelver! Registration is required and space is limited.

Crafternoons

Join us for engaging monthly craft programs designed specifically for adults. Crafternoons are a fun mix of crafting and socializing, with a different craft each month; \$2 per session. Registration is required. With few exceptions, all supplies are provided. Offered at the Caledonia, Cayuga, Dunnville, Hagersville and Jarvis Branches.

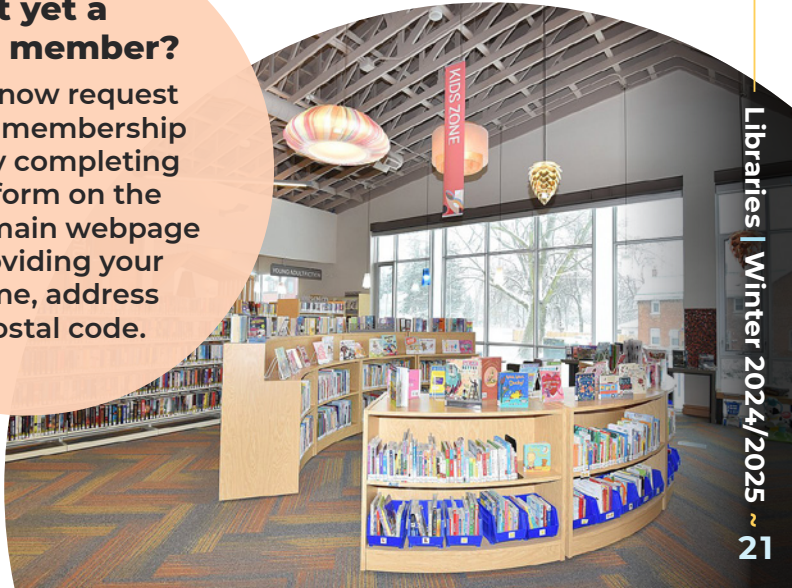
English as a Second Language Classes

Presented by Mohawk College, free LINC English classes are available to eligible newcomers. Classes are delivered in person at the Caledonia Branch on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Register online at mohawkcollege.ca/form/linchaldimand

Downloads and Databases

- Access ebooks and digital audiobooks from CloudLibrary and Libby!
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