

Fall/Winter 2022

# Program Guide



*Brandonites* is the Western Manitoba Regional Library's first podcast. Each episode features an interview with someone from the city of Brandon who is involved in something interesting. We hear what inspires them, what they're up to and what they've been reading lately. Our goal is to highlight local people who are redefining what it means to be a Brandonite.

You can listen to episodes at: **[www.anchor.fm/brandonites](https://www.anchor.fm/brandonites)** or on your favourite podcast app.



**[wmrl.ca](https://www.wmrl.ca)**

Find us on social media: **@WMRLibrary**



# Program Registration

**All WMRL programs are FREE to attend.**

Any in-person programming will be held in accordance with public health guidelines and mandates. We recommend respecting these guidelines.

**Registration requirements are noted for applicable programs. To register for a program, please email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca)**

If you need to reach out to your local branch (to reserve a take-home kit, request a delivery, etc.) please see the contact information below:

## **Brandon Downtown**

Program information: [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca)

General inquiries: [info@wmrl.ca](mailto:info@wmrl.ca) or 204-727-6648 ext. 3

## **Brandon Shoppers Mall**

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## **Carberry**

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## **Glenboro**

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## **Hartney**

[hartney@wmrl.ca](mailto:hartney@wmrl.ca) or 204-858-2102

## **Neepawa**

[neepawa@wmrl.ca](mailto:neepawa@wmrl.ca) or 204-476-5648

# Outreach Services

## **Homebound Deliveries**

All branches of the WMRL will deliver books and other materials to local patrons who are unable to make it to the library themselves (homebound, isolating, etc.). Patrons can specify which types of materials they would like to receive, which genres interest them, and how many books or other materials they would like to receive in a delivery. For more information, please contact your local library by email or phone. See page 2 of this pamphlet for contact information specific to each of our locations.

## **Tours and Info Sessions**

Are you part of a community group that would like to learn more about the Library? We can meet with you virtually over platforms such as Zoom and Teams to provide information about whichever programs and services are most relevant to your group. Depending on public health orders and restrictions, we may also be able to provide in-person tours this season.

**Email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca) or call 204-727-6648 ext. 9 for more information.**



# Online Resources

In addition to our physical collection, the Library provides a wide range of electronic resources, including e-Books and e-Audiobooks, digital newspaper access, movies, music, and more. You'll need your library card and PIN to register.

For a full list of our eResources, visit our website at **[wmrl.ca/eresources](http://wmrl.ca/eresources)**



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# Children's Programs

## In-Person Storytimes

**Every Thursday, Except December 29**

**10:15 to 11 AM**

**Downtown Brandon branch**

Join Michelle for a story, a song and a craft. Geared towards a preschool audience. The presence of a caregiver or parent is required. No sign-up required.

**Every Friday, Until Dec 2**

**10:30 to 11 AM**

**Shoppers Mall branch**

Join Robin for some stories and rhymes. Geared towards a preschool audience. The presence of a caregiver or parent is required. No sign-up required.

## Baby Storytime

**Wednesdays, 10:30 to 11 AM**

**Sept. 21 through Nov. 30**

**Shoppers Mall branch**

Join us for rhymes, songs, stories and lap bounces. For babies aged 0 to 18 months with their parents or caregivers. No sign-up required.

## Virtual Storytime

**Wednesdays at 10:30 AM, Except Dec. 28**

Follow us @WMRLibrary on Instagram and tune in for a new read-aloud. Some weeks have a craft that can be picked up at the library and recreated at home. Videos will be accessible on our social media for 24 hours after the livestream. Geared towards pre-schoolers.

# Children's Programs

## Pokémon Days

*Shoppers Mall branch*

**Oct. 21, Nov. 18 & 25, Dec. 22 & 23**

**2 to 4 PM**

On these days (which coincide with **PD days for the Brandon School Division**) you can join us for battling and trading of Pokémon cards! All participants will be entered for a draw to win one of three booster packs each day. Open to kids aged 6 and up. To sign up, please email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca)

## STEM Club

*Downtown Brandon branch*

**Saturdays, 10:30 to 11:15 AM**

**Oct. 8: Math Maniacs**

**Oct. 15: Titanic Engineering**

**Oct. 22: Stop-Motion Madness**

**Oct. 29: Science Sleuths**

Do you want to explore the world of science, technology, engineering, and math? Then join our brand-new program, STEM Club! You can sign up for one, or every session as we focus on the different aspects of STEM with hands on activities. Open to kids aged 9 to 13. Please sign up by emailing [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca).

# Hartney/Grassland Library

**Contact Info:** 204-858-2102 [hartney@wmrl.ca](mailto:hartney@wmrl.ca)

## Leap Frog: Leapstart 3D Kits

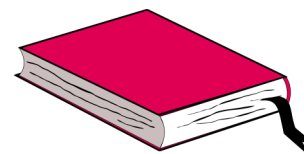
New at the Hartney Library and available for borrowing! These kits provide a variety of interactive reading and activities for kids aged 2 to 6.

# Neepawa Public Library

**Contact Info:** 204-476-5648 [neepawa@wmrl.ca](mailto:neepawa@wmrl.ca)

## Leap Frog: Leapstart 3D Kits

New at the Neepawa Library and available for borrowing! These kits provide a variety of interactive reading and activities for kids aged 2 to 6.



Watch our website and social media pages for news about upcoming programs in October, November and December!

# Glenboro / South Cypress Library

**Contact Info:** 204-827-2874 glenboro@wmrl.ca

## **Puzzle Borrowing**

New at the Library this Fall - You will be able to borrow puzzles for all ages! Please watch for announcements of when the puzzles will be available. Donations of puzzles are gratefully accepted at the Library.

## **Leap Frog: Leapstart 3D Kits**

New at the Glenboro Library and available for borrowing! These kits provide a variety of interactive reading and activities for kids aged 2 to 6.

## **October:**

In October, we celebrate Canadian Library month! Please stop in at the Glenboro Library and receive an entry into the draw to win a prize every time you borrow a book for the month of October!

## **December:**

Join us for a Christmas craft and cookie decorating afternoon! Date and time TBD. We will be advertising this fun craft day closer to December. For ages 5 and up.

The Giving Tree. A Christmas tree will be set up in the Glenboro Library specifically to receive donations for the Glenboro Cat Rescue Centre. All donations will be sent directly to the Cat Rescue. A wish list of items that are needed will be available at the Glenboro Library. Information about the Cat Rescue Centre and available cats for adoption will be featured.

# Children's Programs

## **Comic Creations**

*Downtown Brandon*

**Tuesdays in Nov.**

**4:30 to 5:30 PM**

Let's make comics at the Library! In this fun and engaging class, kids will break down the structure of making comics, create characters, learn the history of comics & build their very own comics in every class. For kids aged 9 to 12. To sign up, please email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca).

## **Pumpkin Carving**

*Downtown Brandon*

**Oct. 26th, 4 to 6 PM**

Come get into the spirit for Halloween by carving your own pumpkin! We will provide the pumpkins and tools but you need to bring an idea for carving. Costumes are encouraged. To sign up for this program, please email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca).

## **Meet Santa**

*Over Zoom*

**Dec. 21, 7 PM**

Join us over Zoom to meet Santa Claus! This program is open to kids of all ages and across western Manitoba. To sign up for this program, please email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca).

# All Ages Programs

## Spirit Week

**October 31: Halloween**

**November 1: Pajamas**

**November 2: Scrabble**

**November 3: Twins / Dynamic Duos**

**November 4: Love Your Library**

Join our staff for the Western Manitoba Regional Library's first ever spirit week! Each day will have a different theme for which both staff and patrons are encouraged to dress up. Wear your Halloween costume, your pajamas, some Scrabble letters, pair up with someone to be twins or a dynamic duo from pop culture, and wear your WMRL merchandise.

## Take and Make Crafts

**October: Leaf Mask & Scarecrow**

**November: Owl & Scarecrow**

**December: Snowflakes**

Free craft kits for adults and kids are available on a first-come, first-served basis each month. A different craft kit will be featured each month. Kits will be available from the **downtown Brandon** and **Shoppers Mall** branches.

## French Conversation

**Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6**  
**4:30 to 6 PM**

Interested in becoming more fluent in Canada's second language? Join us for some casual conversation with other French speakers. All skill levels, from beginning to advanced are welcome! Please email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca) to sign up.

# Carberry

**Contact Info:** 204-834-3043 [laurie@wmrl.ca](mailto:laurie@wmrl.ca)

**Reader's Teas:** Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13 at 2 PM. Visit with other readers, enjoy refreshments, and listen to a story read aloud. This program is geared towards seniors.

**Check out our newsletter for dates and details about these upcoming programs:**

**Preschool Story Time and Craft:** Wednesdays at 10 AM.

**After School Board Games:** Wednesdays at 3:45 to 5 PM, drop in after school to try a new game!

**Chess Club:** Thursdays from 4 to 5 PM. All ages and skill levels are welcome.

**Dungeons & Dragons Club:** Every other Saturday. Sign up for dates and details. All ages and skill levels are welcome.

**Digital Creators:** Fridays from 4 to 5 PM. Try out coding, 3D design, and so much more. For kids aged 9 to 12.

**Book Club:** Meets once a month. Dates and locations are flexible. Contact us to add your name to the waiting list.

Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and TikTok @carberrylibrary for our newsletter, updates, and more events.

# Adult Programs

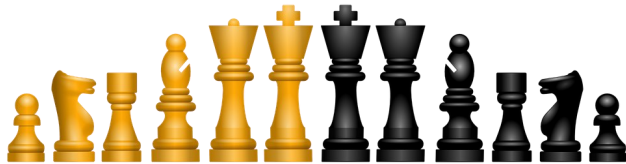
## Chess Club

*Downtown Brandon*

**with the Brandon Knights Chess Club**

**Saturdays, 11 AM to 1 PM**

Join the Brandon Knights Chess Club for a few hours of chess. Boards and pieces will be supplied. All skill levels are welcome. No registration is required for this program.



## Scrabble Club

*Downtown Brandon*

**With the Brandon Scrabble Club**

**Wednesdays, 1 to 4 PM**

Join members of The Brandon Scrabble Club for an afternoon of Scrabble, coffee, and laughs. Scrabble boards are provided by the club and all levels of skill are welcome. No registration is required for this program.

# All Ages Programs

## REEL Opportunities

*Over Zoom*

**Oct. 11, 7 PM**

Attention all aspiring film makers! We are hosting a free virtual workshop in partnership with Reel Canada. The workshop, Reel Opportunities, will provide an overview of career paths in Canadian film and will feature a working film industry professional speaking about their own experiences and answering questions. To sign up for this workshop, please email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca).

## Library Card Sign-up Month

**November**

For the month of November, we'll be campaigning to get as many people signed up for library cards as possible! Watch our website and social media pages for details.

## Dungeons & Dragons

**Coming in 2023**

Beginning in January of 2023, the downtown branch of the Brandon Public Library will host Dungeons & Dragons programming! If you're new to this role-playing game or an advanced player, this will be a chance to play with some like-minded people. To stay up to date on news for these programs, please send an email to [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca) and we'll keep you updated.

# Adult Programs

## Book Club

**Fiction & Non-fiction  
Resuming in September  
Second Monday of each month, 7 PM**

The book club meets monthly in person or online. The Library provides book club kits free of charge and we offer a wide variety of titles to choose from. Those looking to join a book club can email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca) to be connected to the group.

## Creative Writing Program *Over Zoom*

**Meetings: Oct. 5, 19  
Nov. 2, 16, 30  
Dec. 14  
6 to 8 PM**

**Submissions due: Oct. 12, 26  
Nov. 9, 23  
Dec. 7  
By email to [michelle@wmrl.ca](mailto:michelle@wmrl.ca)**

This Creative Writing program follows a workshop model. The group meets virtually every two weeks to provide each other with feedback on works in progress. In the intervening weeks, participants email their work to Michelle, who then distributes the writing to everyone in the group. No previous writing experience is necessary! Please email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca) to get signed up.

# Adult Programs

## Murder Mystery Club

***Downtown Brandon*  
Saturdays, 10:30 AM**

Have you ever wondered how you would do as an investigator tasked with solving a murder? In our new Murder Mystery Club, you can find out. This group will meet every week to work their way through six “episodes” of an extensive murder mystery put together by Hunt a Killer. Please email [programs@wmrl.ca](mailto:programs@wmrl.ca) to sign up.

*A graduate student appears to have died from a fatal bear attack while on a scientific expedition in Moon Summit Park, Alaska. Although the case closed in the summer of 2018, a friend thinks there might be something strange surrounding his death. Was Toby murdered? If so, why—and by whom?*

