

Spring Break Fun @ Your Library!

Learn something fresh. Build new skills.
Connect with the community.



Registration opens Monday February 20th at 9:00am

READING & WRITING PROGRAMS

MEET AN AUTHOR: DANA SALIM

Join us for an interactive storytime with Dana Salim, author of the Yousuf's Everyday Adventure picture book series. Activities include a nature quest and a photobooth. For ages 5 and up with a caregiver. Registration Required.

Sat Mar 11 1:00-2:00pm Brighouse

KIDS' BOOK CLUB

Read the book provided by the library, then meet to share your thoughts and play fun games with other kids! Registration required. Meetings take place at Brighouse.

Sun Mar 12 3:30-4:15pm Ages 7 & 8

Mon Mar 13 2:30-3:30pm Ages 9-12

CREATE YOUR OWN ROBOT

Use your imagination and create a magnificent portrait of a robot, then write and illustrate a comic or story using your creation. For ages 8-12. Registration required.

Tue Mar 14 3:00-4:00pm Ironwood

STORY MADNESS

Come and jump into the world of story making. Learn some tips, play some games, and create your own story. For ages 8-12. Drop-in!

Tue Mar 14 3:30-4:30pm Steveston

STILTON'S MYSTERY AFTERNOON

Join us for some mysterious fun and adventure based on the popular Thea Stilton books. For ages 7-12. Registration required.

Thu Mar 16 3:00-4:30pm Ironwood

TEXT ADVENTURES

Come and have fun with wordplay and writing. Play writing games and share stories. For ages 9-12. Registration required.

Thu Mar 23 3:30-4:30pm Cambie

MYSTERY AFTERNOON

There's a mystery at the library! Can you help us solve the crime? Join us for some mysterious fun and adventure. For ages 8-12. Drop in!

Thu Mar 23 3:30-4:30pm Steveston

SCIENCE AND TECH PROGRAMS

CODING UNPLUGGED WITH HELLO RUBY:

ADVENTURES IN CODING

Join us for an unplugged parent and child coding workshop based on the children's book *Hello Ruby: Adventures in Coding*. For ages 6-8. Parent or caregiver must attend with child. Registration required.

Sun Mar 12 10:30am – 12:00pm Brighouse
OR

Sun Mar 19 10:30am—12:00pm Brighouse

DIGIFLIPBOOK ANIMATION

In this paperless animation class we will discuss the 12 principles of animation techniques created by Disney animators Frank Thomas and Ollie Johnston. Then students will create simple digital flipbook animations using the iPad. For ages 12-15. Registration required.

Fri Mar 17 6:30-8:00pm Brighouse

SPHERO ROBOTICS

Get introduced to programming on your library Digital Learning Collection's latest addition: Sphero robots! These spherical robots have a clear shell so you can see the internal mechanics of the robot working as they implement your codes. For ages 9-11. Registration required.

Thurs Mar 16 4-5pm Brighouse
OR

Sat Mar 25 2-3pm Brighouse

SUPER HERO FX

Interested in creating your own super hero movie? This two-part series will give you the writing basics for creating an origin story for your own superhero, plus we'll show you how to use a cool app on our iPads that give you on-screen special FX such as laser vision! For ages 11-14. Registration required.

Tue Mar 14 & Wed Mar 15 2:30-4:00pm Brighouse
OR

Mon Mar 20 & Tues Mar 21 6:30-8:00pm Brighouse

APEG BC: MEET A SCIENTIST

Learn about the exciting side of engineering and participate in a hands-on activity with the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC (APEG BC). For ages 9-12. Registration required.

Thu Mar 16 3:30-4:30pm Brighouse

SMASH BROS TOURNAMENT

Looking to test your skill against other players in the ultimate fighting game? Gather your friends and register for this free tournament. Wii U Game console and controllers provided. For ages 8-14. Registration required.

Tue Mar 14 3:30-5:00pm Cambie

SPRING INTO SCIENCE

Get in touch with your inner Einstein as you create cool projects and experiments. For ages 8-12. Registration required.

Wed Mar 15 3:00-4:00pm Ironwood

MEET LITTLEBITS MAKEY MAKEY

Learn how to turn everyday objects into keys with MaKey MaKey. This will allow you to control LittleBits pieces to create circuits to make sounds, light and motion. Tech Tools will be available for participants to explore and play with. For ages 8-12. Registration required.

Wed Mar 15 3:00-4:30pm Steveston

MAD SCIENCE: FIRE AND ICE

Foggy dry ice storms, giant beach balls floating in the air and even a special Mad Science "burp" potion will amaze children as they learn about chemical reactions, air pressure and the states of matter. Presented in partnership with Mad Science. For ages 8 and up. Registration required.

Sun Mar 19 3:30-4:15pm Brighouse

LEARN ABOUT BC'S WILDLIFE

Join biologist Darren Colello for an exciting interactive program about the vast diversity of wildlife in British Columbia. Presented in partnership with Northwest Wildlife Preservation Society. For ages 9-12. Registration required.

Mon Mar 20 2:30-3:30pm Brighouse

SPACE: THE FINAL FRONTIER

Join us for some out of this world fun and excitement! For ages 6-10. Drop in!

Tues Mar 21 3:30-4:30pm Steveston

GET YOUR TECH ON: EVIL GENIUS EDITION

Get hands-on experience with Richmond Public Library's Digital Learning Collection. Tech Tools will be available for participants to explore and play with. For ages 8-12. Registration required.

Weds Mar 22 4:00-5:00pm Ironwood

WACKY WEATHER

Explore what makes the weather. We will engineer a cloud, look at the science of water and craft some weather technology. Presented in partnership with Environment Canada. For ages 6-10. Registration required.

Wed Mar 22 2:00-3:00pm Brighouse

Wed Mar 22 3:30-4:30pm Steveston

FOR THE FAMILY

MR. PANDA STORYTIME

Join us for stories and an activity based on the popular book, *Please Mr. Panda* by Steve Antony. Best for kids age 3-6. Drop in!

Tues Mar 14 10:30-11am Ironwood

FAMILY PUPPET SHOW AND CAMPFIRE

Families are invited to enjoy a spring themed puppet show followed by a lively sing along and activities. All ages. Drop in!

Thu Mar 16 4:00-4:45pm Steveston

DRIVE IN AT THE LIBRARY

Bring the old-fashioned feel of a drive-in movie to your toddler! Make a car together from a cardboard box, then watch a movie as a family from the comfort of your box car. Bring the box from home, or use one provided by the library. All ages. Drop in!

Tue Mar 21 2:00-5:00pm Ironwood

STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEP OVER AT THE LIBRARY

Bring your favourite stuffy along and we will share stories and then your stuffy will stay all night long for some exciting adventures. Ages 4-7. Drop in!

Thu Mar 23 3:00-4:00pm Ironwood

SPRING BREAK HANGOUT

Come hang out with friends at the library. Play classic Wii games on Tuesdays, play chess on Wednesdays, or just hang out and chat any day of the week. We have plenty of board games, too. Best for grades 6-9, but everyone is welcome. Drop in!

Mon-Thu 3:30-5:00pm Cambie

ANYTIME ACTIVITIES

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

Library staff have chosen some of our favourite books. Now it's your turn to pick which one is the best. Which book will win? Be sure to stop by any RPL branch to cast your vote between March 11-March 25. Winner will be announced Sunday March 26th. For kids of all ages.

SPRING BREAK READING CHALLENGE

Pick up a competition form beginning March 11th at any RPL branch. Complete at least 4 of the activities listed and return your passport to the information desk for a chance to win great prizes. Contest ends March 29th. For kids of all ages.

For more information about Richmond Public Library's programs, and to register for an event, visit the library's online event calendar at www.yourlibrary.ca/events or call the library at 604-231-6412.