

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

FREE LIBRARY CARDS

SAPL NEWSLETTERS

The Library will be closed Monday, February 19 for Family Day.

Library cards are free for St. Albert residents. It's all part of our commitment to barrier-free access for all. Be the first to know about new Library programs, events and news! We offer three different eNewsletters – sign up at **sapl.ca**.

Watch Parties for Black History Month

THE CARIBBEANS **Go North FEB. 9 FEB. 16**

Watch Parties: Black History Month

FRIDAYS, FEB. 9 & 16 | 7 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

DOWNTOWN LIBRARY | DOORS 6:30 PM | MOVIE 7 PM

Join special guest hosts from the Africans & African Descendants Friendship Club for an evening of film, food, friendship and fun! These films are suitable for viewing by all ages, Rated G.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9 | John Ware Reclaimed

Filmmaker Cheryl Foggo re-examines the mythology surrounding John Ware, the Black cowboy who settled in Alberta before the turn of the 20th century.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16 | The Caribbeans Go North

St. Albert resident Marilyn McGreer shares the story of why her father left Jamaica in search of better social, economic and spiritual opportunities for his young family in Alberta.

Welcome to New Board Trustees



Angela Benowski



Sherry Love

We welcome two new trustees to the Library Board in 2024!

Angela Benowski was born and raised in St. Albert and returned with her family in 2018. She works in accounting and finance in the energy industry.

Sherry Love has lived in St. Albert since 1995. Her career with the Alberta government has covered frontline services, policy and governance, and board support.

Both Angela and Sherry believe in the importance of public libraries in building healthy communities, and we are honoured to have them join the board.

Blind Date with a Book



Storytimes – Downtown, Jensen Lakes & Outreach

Advance registration is required for all programs unless indicated otherwise – find the details at sapl.ca or call 780-459-1532 or 780-544-0444.

Registered Storytimes

Mindfulness and Movement Storytime @ Salisbury Greenhouse

THE ENJOY CENTRE | 101 RIEL DR.

THURSDAYS, FEB. 1, 8, 15 | 10:30 AM

Share stories, dancing, and activities focusing on our emotions and connecting with the environment around us.

Family Storytime DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

THURSDAYS, FEB. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 10:15 AM

This pre-registered storytime group meets once a week for seven weeks. Stories, songs and more.

Baby Storytime

EVERITT GARDENS | 125 EVERITT DR. FRIDAYS, FEB. 2, 9 | 10:30 AM For babies, their caregivers, and seniors!

Baby Storytime DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

TUESDAYS, FEB. 6, 13, 20, 27 | 10:15 AM



This pre-registered storytime group meets once a week for seven weeks. Stories, songs and more.

Drop-In Storytimes

JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY

FRI., FEB. 2, 16, 23 | SAT., FEB. 3, 10, 17, 24 | 11 AM

DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

MON., FEB. 5, 12, 26 | THU., FEB. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 11 AM

Baby Laptime

DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

MONDAYS, FEB. 5, 12, 26 | 1:30 PM

Family Storytime @ Further Education ST. ALBERT CENTRE

TUESDAYS, FEB. 6, 13, 20, 27 | 10:30 AM (play time at 10 AM)

School Age Programs - Downtown, Jensen Lakes & Outreach

Advance registration is required for all programs unless indicated otherwise – find the details at sapl.ca or call 780-459-1532 or 780-544-0444.

Dance Your Socks Off! (5 years & under) FRIDAY, FEB. 2 | 10:30 AM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY It's time to dance and shake and bust a move!

Crafternoon (K-Grade 2)

THURSDAY, FEB. 1 | 4 PM | JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY A "crafternoon" of fun art projects and activities!

LEGO-Mania! (Grades K-6)

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY We'll provide the LEGO, you provide the imagination!

Soulfire: Connection & Community (Grades 5-7) WEDNESDAYS, FEB. 7, 21 | 4 PM | JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY Drop in to learn more about your own mental health in unique ways.

Teacher's Convention LEGO (Grades K-6) THURSDAY, FEB. 8 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY Share your LEGO skills during Teacher's Convention!

After School Mix (Grades 3-6) THURSDAY, FEB. 8 | 4 PM | JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY A variety of STEAM programs after school.

Stuffie Storytime! (Ages 4-6)

THURSDAY, FEB. 8 | 6:15 PM | JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY



Bring your stuffies and your pajamas for a special bedtime story, then leave your stuffies to sleep over! Pick them up the next day with a storybook of their adventures!

Teacher's Convention Pokémon & Chess Connection (Grades 1-6) FRIDAY, FEB. 9 | 11 AM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY Share your love of Pokémon & Chess during Teacher's Convention.

Pokémon and Chess Connection (Grades 1-6) WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY Share your love of Pokémon and Chess.

LEGO CLUB: Builders Assemble (Grades 3-6) THURSDAY, FEB. 15 | 4 PM | JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY Build, create and complete challenges with LEGO!

Board Game Gang (with Chess!) (Grades 1-6) WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY Now with 100% more chess! Learn a new game or play one you love.

Storytelling Club (Grades 3-6)

THURSDAY, FEB. 22 | 4 PM | JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY Every month, explore writing in a variety of mediums.

A Craft-Tea Afternoon (Grades 1-3) WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY Read stories, sip tea or juice and craft together!

St.Albert Public Library

Downtown Library | St. Albert Place | 5 St. Anne Street | St. Albert, AB | T8N 3Z9 T780-459-1530 HOURS Monday-Thursday 10am-9pm | Friday 10am-6pm | Saturday 10am-5pm | Sunday 1pm-5pm





Advance registration is required for all programs unless indicated otherwise. Find the details and register at sapl.ca or by calling 780-459-1682.

Winter Sowing

THURSDAY, FEB. 1 | 7 PM | ONLINE PROGRAM - ZOOM Master gardener Dale Ford covers the basics of winter sowing, what species do best with winter sowing, and answers your questions.



All Abilities Afternoons

FRIDAY, FEB. 2, 16 | 1 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

We welcome adults with developmental disabilities and caregivers to try a craft or do some colouring. Drop in.

Tech Tuesdays with P.A.L.S. TUESDAYS, FEB. 6, 13, 20, 27 | 10:30 AM **DOWNTOWN LIBRARY**

Small group computer basics learning sessions for adults with little or no computer experience. Bring your own device. Registration required.



Knit-Lits WEDNESDAYS, FEB. 7, 14, 21, 28 | 6:30 PM **DOWNTOWN LIBRARY**

Calling all knitting and fibre-craft enthusiasts! Meet new people, improve your skills, or learn how to knit.



Beekeeping Adventures in the Backyard: Getting Started

THURSDAY, FEB. 8 | 7 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY Charmaine and Tessa will share their beekeeping experiences and the steps to start keeping bees in your backyard.

Scrabble, Cribbage and More FRIDAY, FEB. 9, 23 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Drop in, socialize and challenge your mind with Scrabble or Cribbage.



Seedy Sunday: Seed Sorting

SUNDAY, FEB. 11 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY Have tea, chat about gardening, and help the St. Albert Seed Library sort and package the 2023 seeds!

Uke it Up @ the Library SUNDAY, FEB. 11 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Learn, share and play fun music together. Bring your own ukulele, tuner, music stand, and a sense of humour!

Menship (18+ years) WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14, 28 | 6:30 PM **DOWNTOWN LIBRARY**

Promoting mental health and wellbeing by bringing local men together to establish inclusiveness and a sense of community. Drop-in.



WiR Workshop: Where's the Action? THURSDAY, FEB. 15 | 6:30 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Join Writer in Residence Katie Bickell to explore effective story structures, scene transitions, structural narrative devices, and story pacing through lecture and in-class exercises. Bring a simple idea and leave with an outlined plot.

Community Tea and Bannock

TUESDAY, FEB. 27 | 10:30 AM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Warm up and connect with your friends and neighbours over a cup of tea and bannock. This series on the last Tuesday of each month is provided in partnership with the St. Albert Métis Local's Red Willow Program.

65 Years and Older? **Get your Benefits and Credits!**

THURSDAY, FEB. 29 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Get ready for another tax season and find out about credits, deductions, pension splitting, scams and how to file your taxes for free. Presented by Canada Revenue Agency.

Teen Programs

Check teens.sapl.ca for great book picks, study help and more! Call 780-459-1682 for more information.



Teens Create Thursdays: Painting Minis THURSDAY, FEB. 1 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Enjoy snacks, bring a hobby, or try one of ours. This month we have the supplies to paint miniatures. Bring your own mini, or we'll provide one for \$2. Registration required.



STARK POETS (14-18 yrs)

TUESDAYS, FEB 13, 27 | 6:30 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY We will write, listen, and read poetry! Work with award-winning poets and teachers who can bring your writing to the next level. Drop in.

Dungeons and Dragons with Bent Arrow WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14, 28 | 4 PM DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

An epic adventure awaits as we embark on a series of one-shot Dungeons and Dragons campaigns. Everyone is encouraged to participate, regardless of skill. Register with Kikosewin Family Resource Network: 780-481-3541 or email kikosewin@bentarrow.ca.

Teen Board Game Café (Grades 7-12) SATURDAY, FEB. 24 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Bring your friends to play D&D, try Sushi Go!, Machi Koro and more. All skill levels welcome. Registration required.

Drop-in Book Clubs

Book clubs meet at the Downtown Library please check **sapl.ca/bookclubs** for details.

Seniors Book Club

FEB. 14 | 2 PM

The Stranger in the Woods by Michael Finkel

Tuesday Afternoon Book Club

FEB. 20 | 2 PM

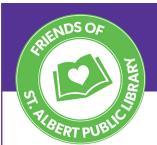
Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus



Résumé and Job Search Tutor Service

Call 780-459-1682 to book your FREE résumé and job search consultation.





Friends of the Library Purdys Chocolate Fundraiser

Just in time for Easter! All profits support the Library when you purchase these sweet Easter gifts before March 3.

To purchase Purdys chocolates visit **friendsofsapl.ca**.





