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ST. ALBERT PUBLIC LIBRARY
NOVEMBER 2026

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

The Library is closed Wednesday, November 11 for Remembrance Day.

FREE LIBRARY CARDS

Library cards are free for St. Albert residents. It's all part of our commitment to barrier-free access for all.

SAPL NEWSLETTERS

Be the first to know about new Library programs, events and news! We offer three different eNewsletters – sign up at **sapl.ca**.

The Doomed Prince - with Prospero Theatre

MONDAY, NOV. 9 | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
1PM-3PM | TEEN THEATRE WORKSHOP
2:15PM | INTERACTIVE FAMILY PERFORMANCE

An Egyptian Prince is doomed to die by Snake, Dog or Crocodile! Can he escape his cursed fate? Find out in this play that local teens have prepared with Edmonton's Theatre Prospero. We are excited to share this epic story with kids and families (suitable for ages 3-12). Registration Required.

Do you have a child in Grade 5-9 that would be interested to be on stage in this play? Theatre Prospero's actors lead tweens and teens as they play all the parts in an epic Egyptian story. The narrators will guide student dialogue and action, creating an accessible and entertaining experience!

Watch Party

Speakers for the Dead
THURSDAY, NOV. 5 | 6:30 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Join us for a screening of *Speakers for the Dead*, a powerful documentary that uncovers a little-known chapter of Black history in Canada. After the film, stay for a discussion and snacks. Presented in partnership with the City of St. Albert, Africans & African Descendant Friendship Club of St. Albert, and the National Film Board of Canada.

Fall Bedtime Storytime

FRIDAY, NOV. 13 | 6:30 PM
78C MCKENNEY AVE

Join us for some bedtime stories at Venvi River Ridge Retirement Living. Bring your favourite stuffed animal and cuddle up to listen to stories and sing some songs. Storytime starts at 6:30, but feel free to come a few minutes early to play with some of the library's toys. Storytime is geared towards ages 3-7, but all ages are welcome! Registration required.

SNOWFLAKE FESTIVAL

FRIDAY, NOV. 27 | 5:30-9 PM
DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

St. Albert's winter festival is back for 2026. Taking place on Perron Street, St. Thomas Street and at St. Albert Place, including the Downtown Library!

Storytimes

Downtown, Jensen Lakes & Outreach

Scan the QR code to find a listing of all drop-in and registered Storytimes.

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.

A Crafty Afternoon | Grades 1 - 4
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4 | 4 PM | JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY
Calling all crafty kids! Join JLL staff for a "crafternoon" of fun art projects and activities.

LEGO-Mania! | Grades 1-6
THURSDAY, NOV. 5 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18 | 4 PM | JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY
Are you a LEGO lover? Join us to share your skills and show us what you can do. We'll provide the LEGO, you provide the imagination!

Bookable Buddies
THURSDAY, NOV. 5 | 6-7:30 PM
JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY
Read in a fun and encouraging environment with a friendly Reading Buddy! Bring your own book or choose one from our collection. For kids in grades 2-4 who could use a little support with their reading. Book your 25-minute time slot at sapl.ca.

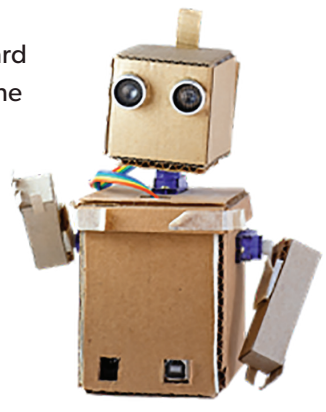
Nerf Wars | Grades 4-7
FRIDAY, NOV. 6 | 5:45 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
After-hours Nerf fun! Bring your Nerf weapon, ammo and eye protection and prepare for an hour of action!

Paper Airplane Secret Society
THURSDAY, NOV. 12 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Sail and soar across the sky with your friends at the downtown library! Learn to make some cool new airplanes and let's see whose flies the furthest!

Pokémon and Chess Connection | Grades 1-6
THURSDAY, NOV. 19 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Swing by to level up your game. We're going to talk, draw and play Pokémon! But wait, there's more! We'll also have chess boards set up to battle some new friends or work on some puzzles.

Comics Club | Grades 1-6
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25 | 4 PM | JENSEN LAKES LIBRARY
Love comics? Come write, draw, chat, and have fun with fellow young comics creators!

Bots and Board: Cardboard Studio x Coding Club | Grades 1-6
THURSDAY, NOV. 26 | 4 PM
DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
We'll provide the cardboard and robots; you provide the ideas! Kids build, create and explore at their own pace. Staff are on hand for guidance, but imaginations lead the way.



All Ages Chess Drop-in

MONDAY, NOV. 9 | 6:30 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Casual, structured chess for players of all ages and skills. Play some games with other community members, split in two sections for newer and experienced players. Sets and clocks provided. Drop-in, no registration required.

Fall Break Activities

Mystery Game: Chickens in the Kitchen!
FRIDAY, NOV. 6 – MONDAY, NOV. 16
DOWNTOWN & JENSEN LAKES | ALL AGES
Why did the chickens cross the road? To get to the other kitchen! What kitchen?? Wait what?!? Come down to the Library for some egg-cellent fun! Drop-in, no registration required.

Crafternoon at River Ridge
TUESDAY, NOV. 10 | 1:30 PM | 78C MCKENNEY AVE
We'll be hanging out with our friends at River Ridge Retirement Living and doing a fun craft! Geared to children in grades 1-6. Registration required.

Christmas Crafternoon @ Ironwood Estates

FRIDAY, NOV. 27, 2026 | 3 PM |40 IRONWOOD PT.
We'll be hanging out with our friends at the Ironwood Estates Retirement Residence upcycling holiday cards into new festive treasures. Geared to children in grades 1-6.

St. Albert Public Library

Downtown Library | St. Albert Place | 5 St. Anne Street | St. Albert, AB | T8N 3Z9 T 780-459-1530
HOURS Monday-Thursday 10am-9pm | Friday 10am-6pm | Saturday 10am-5pm | Sunday 1pm-5pm

Jensen Lakes Library | #1010 880 St. Albert Trail | St. Albert, AB | T8N 7V2 T 780-544-0444
HOURS Tuesday-Thursday 10am-9pm | Friday 10am-6pm | Saturday 10am-5pm | Sunday 1pm-5pm | Monday Closed

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Adult Programs

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

Silent Book Club
MONDAY, NOV. 2 | 7 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
No readings or discussions required for our unconventional book club!

Knit-Lits
WEDNESDAYS, NOV. 4, 18, 25 | 6:30 PM
DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
If you are interested in meeting new people and improving your knitting skills, or if you would like to learn how to knit, the St. Albert Knit-Lits invite you to drop in and join them at their weekly meeting.

Dungeons & Dragons | 18+
THURSDAY, NOV. 5 | 6:30 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Adventure is calling! Join our Dungeons & Dragons program and dive into epic quests, daring battles, and imaginative storytelling.

Introduction to Tai Chi by Deep Water Martial Arts
FRIDAY, NOV. 6 | 10:30 AM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
In this beginner-friendly session, participants will learn fundamental Tai Chi principles and simple movements that can be practiced at home.

All Abilities Afternoons
FRIDAY, NOV. 6 | 1 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Hang out with friends at the library! Try out a craft or colouring. We welcome adults with developmental disabilities and caregivers. Drop in.

Puzzle and Game Swap
SATURDAY, NOV. 14 | 10:15 AM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Bring your gently used games and puzzles to the Downtown Library from Nov. 6-12 and receive a swap stub for each item. Use your stubs Nov. 14 to swap for a new item to enjoy over the holidays.

Seedy Sunday: Seed Sorting
SUNDAY, NOV. 15 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Enjoy an afternoon sorting seeds, drinking tea/coffee, and chatting about gardening. We'll be getting the Seed Library ready for the next growing season.

Streaming Movies with Kanopy
MONDAY, NOV. 16 | 10:30AM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Learn how to stream over 30,000 movies across your devices for free with Kanopy! Stick around to tap into staff expertise of the library's movie collection, which will help you save on monthly streaming subscriptions.

Tuesday Afternoon Book Club
TUESDAY, NOV. 17 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
The Tuesday Afternoon Club meets on the third Tuesday of the month in the Training Room on the 2nd floor of the Downtown Library. This month's selection: *Everything is Tuberculosis* by John Green.

Seniors Book Club
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
The Seniors Book Club meets on the second Wednesday of the month. This month's selection: *Mad Mabel* by Sally Hepworth.

Put Your Best Words Forward - Answering Your Questions about Queries
THURSDAY, NOV. 19 | 7 PM | ZOOM
Come and learn the ins and outs of crafting queries, including what agents and publishers are looking for, common mistakes to avoid, and the subtle arts of selling yourself and your work. Featuring Writer in Residence David Berry and Naomi K. Lewis from Freehand Book.

Sound Bath Meditation
THURSDAY, NOV. 26 | 7 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
In this session, hosted by Vicky Sim, you will experience a guided meditation with sound bath. You'll be lying on your yoga mat as you're gently led with words to calm your thoughts, relieve stress, and bring you into the present moment.

Cricut Club | Holiday Card Edition
FRIDAY, NOV. 27 | 10:30 AM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Spread some holiday cheer with handmade cards created on the Cricut! Learn the basics of Cricut Design Space while exploring festive card making projects.

Falls Risk and Prevention
SATURDAY, NOV. 28 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Are you at risk for falls? Come and complete a falls risk assessment. Find out how you can prevent falls through balance, building strength, physical activity and home modifications. Presented by Lori Jack RN, MSc, GNC with the St. Albert Older Adult Working Group.

Teen Programs

Check out **teens.sapl.ca** to register for programs, find great book picks, study help, and more! In grade 10-12 and still want to hang? Sign up as a teen program volunteer using the registration link! Questions? Email the Teen Services Librarian at tsapl@sapl.ca.

Teens Create Thursdays: Pixel Art
Grades 7-12
THURSDAY, NOV. 5 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Unplug and relax in the Training Room as we try a new hobby every month. This session, we're using perler beads to make some pixel art. Registration is required.

Write On! Teen Newspaper Club | Grades 7-12
TUESDAY, NOV. 10 | 1:30 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Think you've got the write stuff? Work with our Writer-in-Residence, David Berry whose work has appeared in the Globe and Mail, Hazlitt, the CBC, the National Post and elsewhere. We need your contributions for a teens-only newspaper: comics, horoscopes, advice columns, and more. Registration required.

Driver's Test Study Session | Ages 13-17
THURSDAY. NOV. 12 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Master the rules of the road at this fun teens-only study session! Hit the books with our Driver's Guides booklets and flash cards to prepare for your test. Registration is required.

Teen Board Game Café | Grades 7-12
SATURDAY, NOV. 14 | 2 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Gamers unite! We've got snacks, drinks, and board games for teens. Bring your friends to play Tapple, try Sushi Go!, Machi Koro, One Night Ultimate Werewolf and more. All skill levels welcome. Registration required.

One Night Ultimate Werewolf | Grades 7-12
THURSDAY, NOV. 19 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Like Mafia or The Traitors, this is a fast-paced deduction game where everyone is dealt a secret role. In the course of only one night and the following morning, players will determine who among them is a werewolf... hopefully. Registration is required.

Manga & Anime Club | Grades 5-9
FRIDAY, NOV. 20 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Share your love of anime and manga while we make some cool crafts and watch something new! Registration required.

Teen Tinker Lab | Grades 6-9
MONDAY, NOV. 23 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
This program is your place to try coding challenges, 3D modelling in TinkerCAD, Edison Bots, Turing Tumble, and more. Registration is required.

Teen Pokémon Hangout | Grades 6-9
THURSDAY, NOV. 26 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Trade cards, play Pokémon the Card Game (unlimited format), and hang out with fellow Pokémon enthusiasts! Bring your own cards or play with ours. Registration required.

Youth Expo | Grades 7-12
FRIDAY, NOV. 6 | 4 PM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

This is your one-stop-shop to find out about youth programs, volunteer opportunities, youth employment services, and ways to get involved in your community. Win prizes, try hands-on activities and more! This event is a partnership between Youth in Action and the St. Albert Public Library. Register to secure your spot. Drop-ins welcome.

Job Supports

Résumé and Job Search Tutor Service
Looking for work or preparing for your next opportunity? The Library offers dedicated computers and staff support, including free printing of essential documents such as résumés, certificates, and more. Job Supports are available at both locations, with the Résumé Tutor Service offered in person at the Downtown Library or virtually by appointment. Call 780-459-1682 to book your FREE résumé and job search consultation.

Get Started with LinkedIn Learning
MONDAY, NOV. 23 | 10:30 AM | DOWNTOWN LIBRARY
Whether you're looking to strengthen an existing skill or explore something completely new, LinkedIn Learning offers exciting ways to learn at your own pace. Learn how to find and enroll in courses that match your interests and goals and follow learning paths from beginner to advanced.