



COQUITLAM
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Programs & Events Guide

October–December 2024



We acknowledge with gratitude and respect that the name Coquitlam was derived from the hənq̓əminəm (Hunquminum) word kʷikʷəłəm (Kwikwetlem) meaning “Red Fish Up the River”. The Coquitlam Public Library is honoured to be located on the kʷikʷəłəm traditional, ancestral and unceded lands, including those parts that were historically shared with the q̓ícəy’ (Katzie), and other Coast Salish Peoples.

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Program dates, times, or locations may change after this guide is printed.
Please check the Library's website at coglibrary.ca for the most current information.



While you are visiting the Library or attending our programs, you may notice photographers taking photos to use for our promotional materials, such as our website and program guides. If you prefer not to have your photo or your child's photo taken, please let Library staff know.

Story Times



Story Time for Babies

(0–2 years, with caregiver)

Enjoy stories, songs, finger plays, and rhymes with your child. These programs help children gain pre-reading skills and develop a love of reading.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Tue	Sep 3–Oct 15	10:30–11:00 am
Thu	Sep 5–Oct 17	11:30 am–12:00 pm
Tue	Oct 29–Dec 17	10:30–11:00 am
Thu	Oct 31–Dec 19	11:30 am–12:00 pm

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Wed	Sep 4–Oct 16	10:30–11:00 am
Wed	Oct 30–Dec 18	10:30–11:00 am

Sensory Playtime

(0–2 years, with caregiver)

Stay and socialize after Story Time. Babies can play and learn with a variety of sensory toys.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Tue	Sep 3–Oct 15	11:00–11:30 am
Tue	Oct 29–Dec 17	11:00–11:30 am

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Wed	Sep 4–Oct 16	11:00–11:30 am
Wed	Oct 30–Dec 18	11:00–11:30 am

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca

Story Time programs are drop-in unless otherwise noted. For more information, please email Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Story Time for Toddlers Plus

(2–5 years, with caregiver)

Enjoy stories, songs, finger plays, and rhymes with your child. These programs help children gain pre-reading skills and develop a love of reading.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Thu	Sep 5–Oct 17	10:30–11:00 am
Thu	Oct 31–Dec 19	10:30–11:00 am

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Fri	Sep 6–Oct 18	10:30–11:00 am
Fri	Nov 1–Dec 20	10:30–11:00 am

Story Time for Families

(0–5 years, with caregiver)

Join us for picture books, songs, and rhymes.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat	Sep 7–Oct 19	10:30–11:00 am
Sat	Nov 2–Dec 21	10:30–11:00 am

New day!

Sun	Nov 3–Dec 22	10:30–11:00 am
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Smiling Creek | 3456 Princeton Avenue

Thu	Sep 26–Dec 12	6:15–6:45 pm
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Kids' Clothing Swap and Giveaway

Bring your kids' outgrown clothing in good condition (clean, no rips, holes, or smells) for someone else to wear and pick up some new (to you) items.

All sizes—infant to youth—are welcome, as are Halloween costumes. Let's share and keep our clothes out of landfills.

Please note that this is not a clothing drive. The purpose of this event is to exchange good quality clothing and costumes.

Hosted by Coquitlam Public Library's Community Advisory Group.

City Centre Branch | former Innovation Hub

Sat	Oct 5	11:30 am–1:30 pm
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(or while supplies last)

Registration: Drop-in.

Sensory-Friendly Story Time

(2–6 years, with caregiver)

This small group program features stories, songs, rhymes, and sensory play activities for children who have developmental disabilities, atypical sensory processing and/or other conditions.

After a 30-minute story time, there'll be playtime for children and social time for caregivers.

With Kinsight.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Mon	Oct 21	10:30–11:00 am
Mon	Nov 18	10:30–11:00 am
Mon	Dec 16	10:30–11:00 am

Information: Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca

Story Time Stroll

It's story time on the move! Our storytellers will lead you on a walk around the library grounds, reading books and singing songs. Weather dependent. Please check our website or social media.

Poirier Branch

Mon	Oct 28	10:30–11:00 am
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Registration: Drop-in.

Mon	Nov 25	10:30–11:00 am
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Registration: Drop-in.



Scan the QR code to go to our Story Time page:
coqlibrary.ca/storytime



Pajama Story Time at Mackin House

Put on your PJs and join us for a winter-themed story time in Coquitlam's historic Mackin House!

With Coquitlam Heritage.



Mackin House | 1116 Brunette Ave

Thu	Dec 12	7:00–8:00 pm
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Registration: coquitlamheritage.ca/events

Note: registration opens about one month before the event.

Fun with Coquitlam Heritage

Create crafts with instruction from Library staff. For event details, please check the Coquitlam Heritage website: www.coquitlamheritage.ca/events

With Coquitlam Heritage.

Diwali Fest

Town Centre Park Community Centre 1207 Pinetree Way

Fri	Oct 18	6:00–9:00 pm
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Heritage Halloween: Alice in Scary Wonderland

Mackin House | 1116 Brunette Avenue

Sat	Oct 26	12:00–3:00 pm
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Winter Wonders Holiday Celebration

Mackin House | 1116 Brunette Avenue

Sun	Dec 8	12:00–3:00 pm
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Information: www.coquitlamheritage.ca/events

Korean Story Time

(0–5 years, with caregiver)

We will share picture books, songs and rhymes that you can enjoy with your children.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Tue Sep 3–Oct 15 10:30–11:15 am

Tue Oct 29–Dec 17 10:30–11:15 am

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137*

Fri Sep 6–Oct 18 10:30–11:15 am

*Sep 20 and Oct 18 sessions in Room 127

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Mon Oct 28–Dec 16 10:30–11:15 am

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Young Ae at ykim@coqlibrary.ca

한국어스토리타임

한국어 스토리타임에서는 아이들과 함께 즐길 수 있는 그림책, 동요, 손유희와 라임 등을 함께 하게 됩니다. 등록 하실 필요 없으니, 그냥 놀러 오세요.

장소: 포이리에지점 낸시베넷룸

시간: 오전 10:30 – 11:15

날짜: 9월3일 – 10월15일 매주 화요일
10월29일 – 12월17일 매주 화요일

장소: 시티센터지점 136룸과 137룸
(단, 9월20일과 10월18일은 127룸에서 있습니다.)

시간: 오전 10:30 – 11:15

날짜: 9월6일 – 10월18일 매주 금요일

장소: 시티센터지점 127룸

시간: 오전 10:30 – 11:15

날짜: 10월28일 – 12월16일 매주 월요일

기타문의:

김영애 604-937-4142

또는 ykim@coqlibrary.ca



Parent-Child Persian Mother Goose

(0–5 years, with caregiver; Farsi speakers)

Come for lyrics, lullabies, fingerplays, and bounces. There are no books, toys, puppets or music—just parents and children learning songs, rhymes, and stories through repetition in a comfortable environment.

With S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Multicultural Early Childhood Development Project.

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Thu Oct 29–Dec 10 10:30 am–12:00 pm

Registration: Email Rosa.kowsari@success.bc.ca

Information: Phone Rosa at 236-880-5365

برنامه مامان غازه

برنامه مامان غازه برای خانواده‌های فارسی‌زبانی برگزار می‌شود که فرزند بدو تولد تا ۵ سال دارند.

در این برنامه می‌آموزیم که با کمک شعر و قصه، مهارت‌های کلامی کودکان را توسعه دهیم.

این برنامه که در ۶ جلسه برگزار می‌شود، بدون استفاده از اسباب‌بازی، کتاب و موسیقی، تنها با تکرار شعرها و استفاده از حرکات بدن به رشد زبان کودکان کمک می‌کند.

این برنامه با همکاری کتابخانه و مرکز خدمات چندفرهنگی رشد اوان کودکی ساکسس برگزار می‌گردد.

سه‌شنبه‌ها: ۲۹ اکتبر تا ۱۰ دسامبر

ساعت ۱۰:۳۰ تا ۱۲:۰۰

کتابخانه کوکیتلام، شعبه سیتی سنتر، اتاق ۱۲۷

برای ثبت نام از طریق ایمیل یا تلفن اقدام نمایید:

Rosa.kowsari@success.bc.ca | 236-880-5365

Scan the QR code to go to our Story Time page:
coqlibrary.ca/storytime



Holidays & Celebrations

The Littlest Dinosaur Halloween Activity Hour

(3–8 years, with caregiver)

The authors of The Littlest Dinosaur series will be joining us for a book reading, dinosaur trivia, and a craft. Dress up as your favourite dinosaur!

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Oct 9 1:00–2:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11337494

Information: Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca



Thanksgiving Story Time

(0–5 years, with caregiver)

Join us for a special family story time to celebrate Thanksgiving. Stay for activities after story time ends.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Mon Oct 14 10:30–11:00 am

Registration: Drop-in.

Diwali Celebration

Celebrate Diwali, the festival of lights. Come for story time and activities, including Diya painting and Rangoli colouring sheet. All supplies included.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Thu Oct 24 10:30–11:30 am

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Pride Story Time and Costume Party

(0–8 years, with caregiver)

Join us for a fun and interactive Pride story time and celebration. Wear your favourite Halloween costume or get creative!

Evergreen Cultural Centre | 1205 Pinetree Way

Fri Oct 25 10:30–11:30 am

Registration: Drop-in. Seating is limited. Doors open at 10:00 am.

Santa Story Time

Join Santa and his elves for stories, songs, and rhymes. Santa will stay after story time for photos.

This program is repeated. Please register for one event only, as space is limited.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Fri Dec 13 10:30–11:00 am

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11189128

Fri Dec 13 11:30 am–12:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11383259

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat Dec 14 10:30–11:00 am

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11189096

Sat Dec 14 11:30 am–12:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11189224

Information: Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca

Spanish Holiday Story Time

(0–6 years, with family)

Join us for a holiday-themed story time in Spanish, performed by library staff.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sun Dec 15 3:00–3:30 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Luz at lfrankel-lopez@coqlibrary.ca

Celebremos Navidad

Para Familias y Niños (Edades de 0 a 6)

Ven a celebrar con nosotros un encantador tiempo de cuentos y canciones navideñas en español.

En la Sucursal City Centre | Salas 136 & 137

Dom Dec 15 3:00–3:30

No es necesario registrarse.

Más información: Luz at lfrankel-lopez@coqlibrary.ca

Programs for Students

Lego Robotics with Team Lightningbots

(8–12 years)

Youth robotics experts will help you build deluxe Lego robots. Work on a new project each week.

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Sat Oct 5–Nov 9 1:30–2:45 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11626237

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Toy Hacking Workshop

(10 years and up)

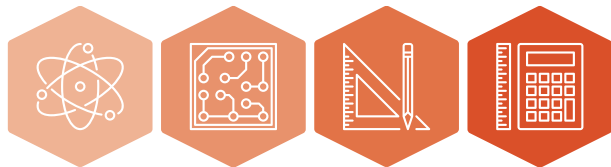
Explore Assistive Technology by hacking into a toy and re-wiring it to make it Switch Accessible so it can be used by a child with a disability. The best part is every toy we hack will be donated to the community.

With the Makers Making Change program of Neil Squire.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Thu Oct 10 4:00–5:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11679215



Fun with Steamoji Coquitlam

(7–11 years)

Learn about robots, Microbits and 3D printing in this science and technology workshop. Students must bring their own laptops.

With the City of Coquitlam Park Spark Team.

This program is repeated for your convenience. Parents should not register their children for both workshops, since the content will be the same.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat Oct 26 11:00 am–12:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11649502

Sat Oct 26 1:00–2:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11649503

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Little Artists (Series)

(5–8 years, with caregiver)

Get creative and have fun with simple art projects! The sessions are the same at each branch.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Mon Oct 21 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11529143

Mon Nov 18 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11529144

Mon Dec 16 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11529145

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Tue Oct 22 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11529177

Tue Nov 19 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11529178

Tue Dec 17 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11529179

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca

Pro D Movie Screening: Inside Out 2

(6 years and up)

Joy, Sadness, Anger, Fear, and Disgust learn that a new emotion will be joining them in Riley's mind: Anxiety. (Disney/Pixar, 2024, 100 mins, rated G)

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room & City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Fri Oct 25 1:30–3:15 pm

Parents must stay with children under 10 years old.

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Friendship Bracelet Craft

(8 years and up)

Got a concert to go to? Learn how to make friendship bracelets! All materials are supplied.

This program is repeated for your convenience. Please register for one session only.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Nov 27 5:30–7:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11605450

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Thu Nov 28 5:30–7:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11530429

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca

School Success

Teen Advisory Council

(students in grades 6–12)

Help the Library and earn community service hours in this program planning group. New members are always welcome!

Members can volunteer for in-person events in-between meetings.

Virtual on Zoom

Wed	Oct 16	4:15–5:15 pm
Wed	Nov 20	4:15–5:15 pm
Wed	Dec 18	4:15–5:15 pm

Registration: coqlibrary.ca/tacform

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Reading Buddies

(students in grades 1–4 and 9–12)

Teen volunteers help younger kids practice reading in a safe and fun environment. Teens earn community service hours.

Big Buddies must be at least 14 years old and in grades 9–12. Little Buddies must be in grades 1–4.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room*

Tue	Oct 15–Nov 26	4:00–5:00 pm
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*Oct 22 meeting in Library Lounge

City Centre | Rooms 136 & 137*

Thu	Oct 17–Nov 28	4:00–5:00 pm
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*Oct 24 meeting in Room 127

Registration: coqlibrary.ca/programs/readingbuddies

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Homework Help Club

(students in grades 1–6 and 8–12)

Teen volunteers in grades 8–12 help kids in grades 1–6 with worksheets and assignments in any school subject.

City Centre | Rooms 136 & 137*

Fri	Oct 25–Dec 13	3:45–4:30 pm
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*Nov 1 and Dec 6 meetings in Room 127 and 136

Registration: coqlibrary.ca/programs/homeworkhelp

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Tall Tales: Early Readers Book Club

(6–8 years)

Calling all early readers! Discover great new books, authors, and fun activities. Kids will also have the opportunity to pick out books to borrow and take home.

City Centre Branch | Room 137

Wed	Oct 9 & 23	3:30–4:15 pm
Wed	Nov 6 & 20	3:30–4:15 pm
Wed	Dec 4 & 18	3:30–4:15 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca



Tween Book Club

(9–12 years)

Be a Red Cedar Award reader! Read and talk about some of this year's nominated books, play fun games, and cast your vote for the best book of the year. Each Club member can choose which books they want to read.

Discover more about the Red Cedar Book Awards at www.redcedaraward.ca

City Centre Branch | Room 137

Fri	Oct 4	3:45–4:30 pm
Fri	Nov 1	3:45–4:30 pm
Fri	Dec 6	3:45–4:30 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Wed	Oct 16	3:45–4:30 pm
Wed	Nov 13	3:45–4:30 pm
Wed	Dec 11	3:45–4:30 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca

Holiday Hellos! Greeting Cards for Seniors

Children in Coquitlam are invited to create a “Holiday Hello” that we will distribute in care packages to older adults in our community in time for the holidays.

This is our 5th year of sharing Holiday Hello packages. With your help, we spread joy to more than 730 seniors in our community last year!



How to Participate

1. Create a holiday greeting—it can be a card, a letter, a drawing, whatever you think would brighten someone’s day!
2. Include your first name and age, but please do not include your last name.
3. Drop it off at one of our locations by November 29th.

Holiday Hello Recipients

We are delighted to support seniors in our community throughout the year through Library services and our partnerships with community organizations that serve seniors.

We will send your Holiday Hellos to seniors who are registered customers of these services. However, if you know someone that you think would love a Holiday Hello, please contact outreach@coqlibrary.ca



Scary Story Contest



Haunt us with horrifying tales drawn from the disturbing depths of your imagination!

Age categories:

11–14 and 15–18

Prizes:

\$50, \$30, \$20 gift cards to Coquitlam Centre Mall for first, second, third place in both age categories.

Stories will be published on library web sites and/or social media.

Final judging by award-winning freelance journalist Richard Dal Monte, former editor of the Tri City News.

Eligibility:

Open to students who live or go to school in Coquitlam, Port Moody, Port Coquitlam, Anmore or Belcarra.

Deadline: Sunday, October 20th at 11:59 pm.

Submit your entry by email to scarystorycontest2024@gmail.com

WARNING! Read the contest rules before writing your story or you may be disqualified. See coqlibrary.ca/scary-story or scan the QR code.



Presented by Coquitlam Public Library, Port Moody Public Library, and Fraser Valley Public Library (Terry Fox Branch).



All-Ages Programs

Chess Club

(all ages)

All skill levels are welcome, though we recommend that participants know the basics of how to play chess.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Sat	Oct 26	2:00–3:30 pm
Sat	Nov 16	2:00–3:30 pm
Sat	Dec 7	2:00–3:30 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Let's Play Board Games

(8 years and up)

Drop in for board game fun. Bring your favourite game or learn to play a new one.

Poirier Branch | Library Lounge

Sat	Oct 19	1:30–3:00 pm
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City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat	Nov 9	1:30–3:00 pm
Sat	Dec 14	1:30–3:00 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Nature Walk

(all ages)

In this guided walk led by the City of Coquitlam's Park Spark team, you will learn more about the plants, animals, and insects that call Coquitlam home.

With the City of Coquitlam Park Spark Team.

Hoy Creek Linear Park | 1210 Pinetree Way

Thu	Oct 3	10:30 am–12:00 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11547341

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca



Spanish Book Fair

Meet Spanish language authors and publishers at our annual book fair, where books for all ages will be available to purchase. Bring your children for stories and songs in Spanish at 2:00 pm.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 127, 136 & 137

Sun	Oct 6	12:00–4:00 pm
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Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Email Luz at lfrankel-lopez@coqlibrary.ca

Feria de Libros

¡Celebremos la lengua y cultura Latinoamericana, con una docena de autores locales y editores con sus libros en español para todas las edades! Tendrás la oportunidad de comprar libros.

Tendremos cuentos y canciones en español para niños a la 2 pm.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 127, 136 & 137

Dom	Oct 6	12:00–4:00
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No es necesario registrarse.

Más información: Luz at lfrankel-lopez@coqlibrary.ca

Salmon Run

(all ages)

Welcome the salmon as they return to Hoy Creek to spawn! Following a nature walk led by speakers from the Hoy Creek Watershed Society, return to the Library to enjoy hot drinks and short films about salmon.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 127, 136 & 137

Sat	Nov 2	10:30 am–1:00 pm
10:30	Welcome (Room 127)	
10:45–11:45	Nature Walk to Hoy Creek	
11:45–1:00	Film screening (Rooms 136 & 137)	

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11653678

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca

Winter Poetry Performance

(all ages)

The Troupe de Poetry will work their magic to bring you new and exciting poetry in this winter themed program featuring games, prizes, social time, and of course, poetry!

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Thu	Nov 7	6:00–7:30 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11653726

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca

CULTURE DAYS

Juried Art Exhibit

As part of Culture Days BC, the Juried Art Exhibit celebrates the talented artists in our community. The exhibit will run until November 6th. Drop-in during Library hours to view this year's curated art reflecting Openness and Curiosity, and cast your vote for the People's Choice Award.

City Centre Branch

Sep 26–Nov 6

Juried Art Exhibit Reception

Meet artists and enjoy an art demonstration.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat Sep 28 1:30–3:00 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Exploring Art with Reverse Colouring

(6 years and up)

Led by an art educator from Art Gallery at Evergreen, we will transform watercolour backdrops into unique works of art and explore the art on display at the Juried Art Exhibit. You can choose to do one or both of the activities during the hour-long program.

With the Art Gallery at Evergreen

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Tue Oct 29 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11718166

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca or
Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca



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In a rush? Use the new Meescan app and never wait in line to borrow library material again!

Download the app to your smartphone or tablet and scan the item right at the shelf to check it out.

You must be inside the Library to check out items.



Scan the QR code to learn how to use Meescan.



Teens & Adults

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Dungeons & Dragons

(16 years and up)

Dungeons & Dragons 101

Dungeon Master Minuette will go over the basics of character creation, answer your questions, and help you make your own D&D character. Please bring your own dice if you have some. Beginners welcome.

City Centre Branch | Board Room

Mon Oct 28 6:00–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11645919

D&D: Introduction to Game Play

Join our hands-on session with your pre-made characters! We'll walk you through essential gameplay mechanics and tips, helping you dive into the adventure and get ready for an engaging and fun experience. Please bring your own dice if you have some.

City Centre Branch | Board Room

Mon Nov 18 6:00–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11672270

Dungeons & Dragons Campaign

Calling all adventurers! Join the Neighbourhood Watch as they keep the Sword Coast safe.

Whether you're a seasoned player or new to Faerun, bring your prepared level 3 character and embark on this epic journey! Please bring your own dice if you have some.

City Centre Branch | Board Room

Mon Dec 16 6:00–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11672283

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Naloxone Training

(teens and adults)

Learn more about BC's overdose crisis and discover how to recognize an overdose and potentially save someone's life with naloxone. Please register to guarantee your spot, but drop-ins are welcome.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Tue Oct 15 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11335156

Information: Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca



Documentary Screening: *Dirt Relations*

(teens and adults)

Dirt Relations is an inspiring and thought-provoking documentary that explores the profound impact of mountain biking in fostering community resilience, reclaiming cultural identity, and rebuilding bridges between cultures.

Following the film screening, there will be a Q&A with Patrick Lucas, Founder of the Indigenous Youth Mountain Bike Program.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Nov 6 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca

Learning about Eating Disorders

(14 years and up)

Join this free, anonymous virtual presentation from our friends at Looking Glass Foundation for Eating Disorders. Learn more about eating disorders and disordered eating, and the signs to look out for. Discover how recovery is possible at every stage.

See the registration link for information about registering anonymously.

Virtual on Zoom

Thu Nov 7 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11734433

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca

Can You Survive the Winter?

(12 years and up)

It's dangerous to get lost in the woods, but during the harsh winter it's deadly! How do you stay safe during your winter activities? Coquitlam Search and Rescue is here to teach you about outdoor safety. Their presentation will include real-life stories, equipment review, and discussion.

City Centre Branch | Room 136

Sat Dec 7 2:30–4:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11655856

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca



Tub Tea: A Holiday Craft

(13 years and up)

Make your loved ones their very own bath tea bag for a gift this holiday season! Participants will create two bags of bath tea to take home. All materials provided.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Dec 11 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11593856

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca



Brave Spaces Speaker Series

(teens and adults)

Join the Library in this three-part speaker series showcasing people from diverse backgrounds sharing their stories.

There will be time for questions from the audience at the end of each session.

Registration is recommended, but drop-ins are welcome.

A brave space:

- is a supportive place where participants feel comfortable learning, sharing honestly and equally, and growing individually and together.
- Is inclusive of all races, sexes, genders, abilities, immigration statuses, languages, and lived experiences.
- can help encourage dialogue, especially about challenging topics like anti-racism.

kʷikʷəłəm First Nation

Speakers from the kʷikʷəłəm (Kwikwetlem) First Nation will help you gain an understanding of their experience.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Oct 16 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11700980

Anti-Racism in Canada

This session features Dr. Satwinder Kaur Bains, Director of the South Asian Studies Institute at the University of the Fraser Valley and Associate Professor in Social Cultural Media Studies, College of Arts.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Oct 30 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11700961

Political Activist

Speaker Valerie Jerome is an African-Canadian former Olympian, educator, and political activist. She will discuss her experiences growing up in BC.

City Centre Branch | Board Room

Wed Nov 13 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11700955

Information: Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca or Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Adult Programs

Computer 101 for Parents

Are you a low income or newcomer adult with school-aged children? Do you want to learn how to use a computer?

Join us for one or both of these special technology programs that will increase your knowledge and ability to use computers.

Participants will be given a free desktop computer or the opportunity to buy a laptop at a low price. Limit one computer per family.

With BC Technology for Learning Society.

How Do I Use a Computer?

Gain confidence in basic computer use.

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Thu Oct 10 2:30–4:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11616740

Learning School Computer Programs

This session is slightly more advanced. Learn how to navigate school programs so you can help your child with schoolwork.

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Thu Oct 10 6:00–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11616753

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca



BC Libraries Present: Indigenous Fiction

BC's public libraries are hosting a virtual author series to bring new insights and voices to library users in every corner of the province. All events are hosted on the BC Libraries Present Crowdcast channel:

www.crowdcast.io/@bclibraries-present

With Public Library InterLINK

katherena vermette | *real ones*

Tue Oct 15 6:30–8:00 pm

katherena vermette's new novel, *real ones*, tells the story of sisters who must face their past trauma when their mother is called out for false claims to Indigenous identity. The novel explores the impact that pretendianism has on Indigenous peoples, and pays homage to the long-fought, hard-won battles of Michif (Métis) people to regain ownership of their identity.

Jessica Johns | *Bad Cree*

Tue Nov 12 6:30–8:00 pm

Join author Jessica Johns as she discusses her debut novel, *Bad Cree*, a gripping tale about intergenerational trauma that follows a Cree millennial who has haunting dreams about her dead sister and Kokum. This groundbreaking horror novel grapples with the effects of grief and the power of kinship.

Climate Action Movie: *The Power of Big Oil*

Learn about the fossil fuel industry's history of casting doubt on the science of climate change and delaying action. (83 minutes, rated PG, 2022)

Following the screening, there will be a 30-minute discussion of this topic.

With Force of Nature Alliance, The Tri-Cities Team.

Special thanks to Kanopy for providing screening and publicity rights

November 2–8 is BCLA Climate Action Week 2024.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Thu Nov 7 6:00–8:30 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Scan the QR code for our recommended reading on Climate Change:



Adult Board Game Night

(18 years and up)

Drop-in for a fun evening of board games and socializing with other game enthusiasts. Joshua Fleetham from Mind Games will share his expertise and demonstrate his favourite board games for all levels, including: *Anomia*, *Skull*, *Pandemic*, *Earth*, *Fluxx*, and *Ticket to Ride*.

With Mind Games.

Poirier Branch | Library Lounge

Wed Nov 20 6:00–8:00 pm
Wed Dec 4 6:00–8:00 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Hip and Knee Osteoarthritis

Learn about osteoarthritis of the hip and knee, how to reduce arthritis pain with proper movement and exercise, and enhancing your quality of life if you have arthritis. For adults of all ages.

Please wear comfortable clothes so you can try out the exercises and stretches.

With Launch Rehab.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Thu Nov 21 6:30–7:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11549536

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Getting Started with Libby

Get a hands-on introduction to the Libby app, which has Coquitlam Public Library's largest collection of eBooks, audiobooks, and magazines.

Bring your phone, tablet, or OverDrive integrated Kobo eReader, and your library card number and PIN.

City Centre Branch | Room 136

Mon Dec 9 10:30–11:30 am

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11561101

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca

Scan the QR code to go to our Adult Programs page:

coqlibrary.ca/programs/adults



Book Clubs for Adults

Pride & Allies Book Club

We meet monthly to discuss books chosen by Club members with input from Library staff. The Club is geared for adults aged 50+, but everyone is welcome.

With the Tri-Cities Pride Society.



City Centre Branch | Board Room

Fri Sep 13 3:00–4:00 pm
Fri Oct 11 3:00–4:00 pm
Fri Nov 8 3:00–4:00 pm
Fri Dec 13 3:00–4:00 pm

Registration & Information:

Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca

Virtual Book Club

Join us online to chat about the chosen novel and any other book you're reading. New members are always welcome.

Virtual on Zoom

Mon Oct 28 7:00–8:00 pm
Mon Nov 25 7:00–8:00 pm
Mon Dec 16 7:00–8:00 pm

Registration: To register and get the Zoom link, please ask to join on the "CoqLibrary Virtual Book Club" Facebook group.

Information: Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca

Scan the QR code to go to our Book Clubs page:

coqlibrary.ca/library-book-clubs



Discovery Lab

Located at our City Centre branch, the Discovery Lab is a space where you can interact with technology, games, and eResources.

Each month, we showcase select eResources and items in our lendable technology collection. Our expert staff will demonstrate the technology and answer your questions.

Lendable Technology

October—Happy Light Lamps

Light therapy lamps can enhance your sleep, mood, energy, and focus while alleviating symptoms of winter blues.

November—Radon Detector

Our compact radon detectors allow you to easily check for dangerous levels of this gas in your home.

December

—Blu-ray Player

Watch your favourite Blue-rays discs or DVDs from home.

—Vehicle Diagnostic Scanner

Is your vehicle's trouble light on? To find out what the problem is, borrow an OBD II scanner to connect to your vehicle's computer and read diagnostic trouble codes (DTCs).

Also in December, celebrate the one-year anniversary of the Discovery Lab and collect a unique button.

eResources

October—BC Historical Newspapers

Get access to 125+ years of digital archives from The Province, The Vancouver Sun, and the Times-Colonist.

November—Transparent Language Online

Dive into over 110 world languages and start speaking confidently with immersive lessons and interactive tools.

December—PressReader

Your digital gateway to global newspapers and magazines.

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Eun at lab@coqlibrary.ca

Discovery Lab Staffed Hours:

Tue	11:00 am–6:00 pm
Wed	11:00 am–6:00 pm
Thu	11:00 am–6:00 pm
Fri	10:00 am–4:30 pm
Sat	10:00 am–4:30 pm

NEW Technology

Stop by the Discovery Lab during staffed hours to try out the new Sphero Indi coding robot and Yoto Player screen-free audio player, both currently in trial, and share your feedback with us!



Senior Tech Clinics

Drop-in for one-on-one tech help. Support is available for basic tech questions such as using email, searching the Internet, downloading eBooks, and setting up social media accounts. We can also assist with basic computer and technology troubleshooting questions.

City Centre Branch | Discovery Lab

Tue	12:00–1:00 pm
Wed	12:00–1:00 pm
Thu	12:00–1:00 pm
Fri	10:30–11:30 am
Sat	10:30–11:30 am

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Eun at lab@coqlibrary.ca

Scan the QR code to go to our Discovery Lab page:
coqlibrary.ca/discovery-lab



Career Workshops

All job seekers are welcome.

Registration opens approximately one month before the program date.

With WorkBC Centre.

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Preparing for Job Interviews

Do you feel your interview skills are stopping you from getting the right job? Learn strategies that will help you structure answers and place your skills at a higher level, with the advice of a Career Advisor.

Virtual on Zoom

Wed Oct 23 2:00–3:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11559907

Job Search Strategies

Join this workshop to learn how to set SMART goals in creative ways and explore how to effectively manage your time when searching for a job. Also, get strategies in how to keep your motivation up and focus on getting a job that's right for you!

Virtual on Zoom

Wed Nov 20 2:00–3:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11559850

Creating Effective Resumes

Do you want to learn the basics of writing effective resumes? Join this workshop to learn:

- The purpose of an effective resume,
- The different types of resumes,
- Strategies to make your resume attractive to potential employers.

A WorkBC Employment Specialist will present on these key points and share quick tips to help you create a winning resume!

Virtual on Zoom

Wed Dec 18 2:00–3:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11559827

Job Search with AI

Unlock job search success with AI! Explore resume optimization, networking tips, interview tactics, and using AI platforms for job searches.

With SUCCESS YEC-TFJ.

City Centre Branch | Board Room

Fri Dec 13 1:15–2:15 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11610927

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca



Conversation & Connection

These sessions are designed to teach you effective communication skills and also provide a safe, friendly space to practice these skills.

With VoiceStory.

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Mon Oct 7 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11549985

Wed Oct 23 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11646342

Mon Nov 4 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11646446

Wed Nov 20 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11549937

Mon Dec 2 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11646479

Wed Dec 18 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11646487

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

EAL & Newcomers

EAL Book Club

Join us for a monthly book club dedicated to English language learners and discover the joys of meeting to talk about books. New members are always welcome.

City Centre Branch | Board Room

Mon	Oct 7	1:00–2:00 pm
Mon	Nov 4	1:00–2:00 pm
Mon	Dec 2	1:00–2:00 pm

Registration & Information:

Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca



Cover Letters: Pre-Employment Skills for Newcomers

Learn simple but important strategies for writing powerful cover letters that will capture the attention of hiring managers.

This workshop is of special interest to newcomers to Canada; however, everyone is welcome to attend.

With the ISSofBC Job Quest Employment Program.

Virtual on Zoom

Tue	Nov 5	1:00–3:00 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11353602

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Library Champions Online

Tri-Cities Public Libraries invite you to attend an online information session to learn more about becoming a Library Champion.

If you love libraries and are a permanent resident, but not yet a Canadian Citizen, you can volunteer to be a Library Champion and help new immigrants.

Presented by NewToBC.

Virtual on Zoom

Tue	Oct 1	12:30–1:30 pm
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Registration: Scan the QR code or go to

newtobc.ca/library-champions-project/lcp_tricities/



NewToBC is an initiative of Public Library InteLINK.



Scan the QR code to go to our EAL & Newcomers Programs and Services page:

coqlibrary.ca/eal-services



Programs in Korean

Korean Seniors Group

(55 years and up; in Korean)

Meet new friends and learn digital skills, including how to create a library card, install library apps, and read eBooks and eNewspapers on your smartphone.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Mon Oct 7 10:00–11:30 am

Registration: Drop-in.

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Thu Nov 7 10:00–11:30 am

Thu Dec 5

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Young Ae at ykim@coqlibrary.ca

슬기로운 시니어 여가생활

도서관에서 새로운 친구분들도 만나고, 행복한 노후준비에 필요한 정보와 스마트폰을 활용한 다양한 디지털을 배우면서 여가생활을 즐겨 보세요. 그리고 도서관카드 만들기, 도서관앱 설치 등 도서관 서비스를 스마트폰으로 손쉽게 사용할 수 있도록 도와 드릴려고 합니다. 등록 하실 필요없으니, 그냥 놀러 오십시오.

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대상: 만 55세이상

날짜: 10월 7일(월)

장소: 포이리에지점 낸시베넷룸 (575 Poirier Street)

시간: 오전 10:00–11:30

날짜: 11월 7일(목), 12월 5일(목)

장소: 시티센터지점 127룸(1169 Pinetree Way)

시간: 오전 10:00–11:30

기타문의:

김영애 604-937-4142 또는 ykim@coqlibrary.ca

설리찬 604-554-7345 또는 schan@coqlibrary.ca

Creating Your YouTube Channel

Conducted in Korean, this program explores the basics of starting a hobby YouTube channel, including using free design apps, adding subtitles, and inserting audio. It does not cover professional profit-focused management. Bring your personal device (tablet or laptop) to get the most out of this workshop.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Nov 13

1:30–3:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11549671

Information: Young Ae at ykim@coqlibrary.ca



나만의 유튜브 만들기

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날짜: 11월 13일 수요일

장소: 코퀴틀람공립도서관 시티센터지점

136룸과 137룸

시간: 오후 1:30 – 3:30

등록: 도서관 웹사이트 링크

coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11549671

문의: 김영애 전화 604-937-4142 또는

이메일 ykim@coqlibrary.ca

Science Expo 2025



The Library's signature STEM event will be even bigger in 2025: more participants, bigger prizes... and a new space!

Tri-Cities students in grades 4 to 12:

Set a reminder to check the Library's website on November 7th. That's when we'll share deadline announcements and all the documentation you will need in order to participate.

Join us in early May 2025 for the most exciting science celebration in the Tri-Cities!



Library Link Schedule

There may be last-minute changes to the schedule due to repairs or holidays.

Before you visit the Link, please check coqlibrary.ca/librarylink or phone 604-554-7323.



In effect October 1–December 21, unless otherwise noted.

Sundays

Riley Park | 1320 Riley St

10:30 am–12:00 pm

Sheffield Park | Chandler St & Sheffield Ave

1:00–2:30 pm

Tuesdays

Ranch Park Elementary | 2701 Spuraway Ave

10:00–11:00 am

Only on: Oct 1, 15, 29; Nov 12, 26; Dec 10

Blue Mountain Park | 975 King Albert Ave

11:30 am–1:00 pm

Wednesdays

Riverview Park Elementary | 700 Clearwater Way

10:00–11:00 am

Maillardville Community Centre | 1200 Cartier Ave

11:30 am–1:00 pm

Hampton Park Elementary | 1760 Paddock Dr

2:30–5:15 pm

Thursdays

Victoria Hall | 3435 Victoria Dr

10:30 am–1:00 pm

Smiling Creek Elementary | 3456 Princeton Ave

Until Dec 12 5:00–7:00 pm

Story Time

Sep 26–Dec 12 6:15–6:45 pm

Fridays

Bramblewood Elementary Strong Start

2875 Panorama Dr

10:00–11:00 am

*No visits Oct 25 or Dec 20

Galloway Park | 3404 Galloway Ave

11:30 am–1:30 pm

Saturdays

Bettie Allard YMCA | 555 Emerson St

10:00 am–1:00 pm



Scan the QR code to go to our Library Link page:

coqlibrary.ca/librarylink





Library Link

See schedule on page 23 of this guide or at coqlibrary.ca/librarylink



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Poirier Branch

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Library Hours

Mondays–Thursdays

Fridays

Saturdays & Sundays

City Centre Branch

9:00 am–9:00 pm

9:00 am–5:00 pm

10:00 am–5:00 pm

Poirier Branch

9:00 am–9:00 pm

9:00 am–5:00 pm

10:00 am–5:00 pm

Holiday Hours

Sunday, October 13

Monday, October 14

Sunday, November 10

Monday, November 11

Tuesday, December 24

Wednesday, December 25

Thursday, December 26

Sunday, December 29

Tuesday, December 31

Wednesday, January 1

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