



COQUITLAM
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Programs & Events Guide

January–March 2025



TRICITIES WRITERS FESTIVAL



Writers and Readers! Mark your calendars for our second annual Tri-Cities Writers Festival, scheduled for May 28–31.

Join us for discussions with exceptional Canadian authors, writing workshops, and a cocktail reception.

Watch coqlibrary.ca for more information.

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Please note:

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



We acknowledge with gratitude and respect that the name Coquitlam was derived from the həŋqəmiŋəŋ (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 ḡícəy’ (Katzie), and other Coast Salish Peoples.



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	Jan 7–Feb 11	10:30–11:00 am
Thu	Jan 9–Feb 13	11:30 am–12:00 pm
Tue	Feb 25–Mar 25	10:30–11:00 am
Thu	Feb 27–Mar 27	11:30 am–12:00 pm

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Wed	Jan 8–Feb 12	10:30–11:00 am
Wed	Feb 26–Mar 26	10:30–11:00 am

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	Jan 9–Feb 13	10:30–11:00 am
Thu	Feb 27–Mar 27	10:30–11:00 am

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Fri	Jan 10–Feb 14*	10:30–11:00 am
Fri	Feb 28–Mar 28*	10:30–11:00 am

*Jan 31, Feb 28, and Mar 28:

Story times will be sensory-friendly—quieter and more focused on sensory play.

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

Korean Story Time

(0–5 years, with caregiver)

We will share picture books, songs and rhymes that you can enjoy with your children. After story time, stay for a 30-minute playtime.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Mon	Jan 6–Feb 10	10:30–11:00 am
Mon	Feb 24–Mar 24	10:30–11:00 am

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Tue	Jan 7–Feb 11	10:30–11:00 am
Tue	Feb 25–Mar 25	10:30–11:00 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. 한국어 스토리타임후 플레이타임이 30분동안 있을 예정입니다.

장소: 시티센터지점 136룸과 137룸

시간: 오전 10:30 – 11:00

날짜: 1월6일 – 2월10일 매주 월요일
2월24일 – 3월24일 매주 월요일

장소: 포이리에지점 낸시베넷룸

시간: 오전 10:30 – 11:00

날짜: 1월7일 – 2월11일 매주 화요일
2월25일 – 3월25일 매주 화요일

기타문의:

김영애 604-937-4142

또는 ykim@coqlibrary.ca



Story Time for Families

(0–5 years, with caregiver)

Join us for picture books, songs, and rhymes.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat	Jan 11–Feb 15	10:30–11:00 am
Sun	Jan 5–Feb 9	10:30–11:00 am
Sat	Mar 1–Mar 29	10:30–11:00 am
Sun	Feb 23–Mar 23	10:30–11:00 am

Stories and Crafts

(0–5 years, with caregiver)

During story time break week, join us for a short story time and crafts. All craft supplies included.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Thu	Feb 20	10:30–11:30 am
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Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Little Explorers (Series)

(0–6 years, with caregiver)

Gather for a story inside, then go for a short ramble in nature led by Westcoast Family Centres staff. Activities include scavenger hunts and more! Rain or shine. Older siblings welcome.

With Westcoast Family Centres.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Sat	Feb 1	3:30–4:30 pm
Sat	Feb 15	3:30–4:30 pm
Sat	Mar 1	3:30–4:30 pm
Sat	Mar 15	3:30–4:30 pm
Sat	Mar 29	3:30–4:30 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Pride Story Time

(0–8 years, with caregiver)

Join us for a fun and interactive Pride story time!

Evergreen Cultural Centre | 1205 Pinetree Way

Mon	Mar 17	10:30–11:30 am
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Registration: Drop-in. Seating is limited. Doors open at 10:00 am.



Goodbye, Fees!

Coquitlam Public Library is leaving late fees behind in 2024!

To give you a fresh start in the new year, we are waiving all late fees on customer accounts from 2024 or earlier. Beginning in 2025, we will no longer charge overdue fees on most library items.

Are you waiving all fines and fees?

No, we will only forgive late fees for certain types of overdue material and card replacement fees—not charges for lost or damaged items.

Which items will have their fees waived?

All items are fee-free *except* Express Books, Express Movies, Lendable Laptops, and Interlibrary loans (ILLs).

Remember, you can check your account online to see what you have checked out and when it is due.

Check our website for more details:

<https://buff.ly/3OW9vPQ>

If you have any other questions, or comments, please reach out to us at ask@coqlibrary.ca



Holidays & Celebrations

Lunar New Year

It's the Year of the Snake! Join us to celebrate Lunar New Year with songs, rhymes, crafts, and culture for all ages and families! All ethnicities and cultural backgrounds welcome. In English, Korean and Mandarin Chinese.

With YMCA Child Care Resource Referral and Golden Maple Culture & Arts Association.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 127, 136 & 137

Sat Jan 25 12:00–3:00 pm

설날대잔치

뱀의 해를 맞이하여 음력 설날을 함께 즐겨 보아요. 영어와 한국어로 진행되는 스토리타임과 영어와 중국어 만다린으로 진행되는 스토리텔링, 만들기와 다문화체험을 함께 해요. 등록없이 그냥 오시면 됩니다. 이 프로그램은 모든 연령이 참여하실 수 있습니다.

이 프로그램은 YMCA Child Care Resource Referral, Golden Maple Culture & Arts Association과 함께 코퀴틀람공립도서관에서 제공합니다.

장소: 시티센터지점 127룸, 136룸과 137룸

날짜: 1월 25일 토요일

시간: 오후 12:00 - 오후 3:00

문의: 설리찬 schan@coqlibrary.ca
또는 김영애 ykim@coqlibrary.ca



Registration: Drop-in.
Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

齐来欢庆农历新年

齐来以儿歌、童谣、文化展示及节庆手工和其他活动来欢庆农历新年-蛇年。活动以英语、韩语及国语进行。欢迎任何年龄人士及家庭参加，不需报名。

高贵林公共图书馆与YMCA儿童保育资源和推荐及金枫文化艺术协会联办

地點: 高贵林公共图书馆 Rooms 127, 136 and 137

日期: (星期六)1月25日

時間: 下午12時 - 3時

聯絡: schan@coqlibrary.ca

B.C. Family Day Story Time

(0–5 years, with caregiver)

Join us for a special story time to celebrate Family Day. Stay for activities after story time ends.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Mon Feb 17 10:30–11:00 am

Registration: Drop-in.



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

Tue Jan 28–Mar 4 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: ۲۸ ژانویه تا ۴ مارچ

ساعت ۱۰:۳۰ تا ۱۲:۰۰

کتابخانه کوکیتلام، شعبه سیتی‌سنتر، اتاق ۱۲۷

برای ثبت نام از طریق ایمیل یا تلفن اقدام نمایید:

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

Parent-Child Cantonese Mother Goose

(6 months–3 years, with caregiver; Cantonese 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. Please bring your own snack.

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

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Jan 15–Mar 5 10:00–11:30 am

Registration & Information:

Priority will be given to families living in the Tri-Cities. Call Ada Sin at 604-468-6002 or 236-880-1968 or email ada.sin@success.bc.ca

粵語鵝媽媽親子唱遊時間

粵語活動

此活動為操粵語的家庭而設，歡迎家長/照顧者與六個月至三歲的孩子參加。

這活動將為你提供一個充滿溫情的親子時間。讓你和孩子在沒有書本、沒有玩具或音樂的舒適環境下一起反覆學習不同的兒歌和故事，以建立穩固的親子關係。請自備茶點。

此活動由高貴林公共圖書館與中僑互助會早期兒童發展服務合辦。

高貴林公共圖書館

City Centre 分館

上午10時 – 11時30分

1月15日至3月5日 (星期三)

費用全免。名額有限，必須報名。
(居於三聯市的家庭優先)。

報名及查詢 · 請致電 Ada Sin 604-468-6002 或 236-880-1968 或電郵 ada.sin@success.bc.ca。

11月25日开始报名

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



Younger Students

Early Readers Book Club

(6–8 years)

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

City Centre Branch | Room 137*

Wed Jan 8 & 22 3:30–4:15 pm
 Wed Feb 5 & 19 3:30–4:15 pm
 Wed Mar 5 & 19 3:30–4:15 pm

*Jan 8 and Mar 19 meetings in Room 127

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca

MathTree

(grades 3–7)

High school honours students provide fun, engaging mathematics lessons for kids.

With Tri-Cities secondary school students.

City Centre Branch | Room 137

Mon Jan 13–Mar 10* 4:00–6:00 pm

*No meeting Feb 17

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12417503

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Little Artists (Series)

(5–8 years, with caregiver)

Little artists will explore colour, lines, and shapes as they create simple art projects. The sessions are the same at each branch.



Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Mon Jan 27 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320121

Mon Feb 24 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320122

Mon Mar 17 1:30–2:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320123

Mon Mar 24 1:30–2:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320124

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Tue Jan 28 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320106

Tue Feb 25 4:00–5:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320107

Tue Mar 18 1:30–2:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320108

Tue Mar 25 1:30–2:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320109

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca

L'heure du conte pour les enfants

(7 à 10 ans / 7–10 years)

Pour les élèves de 7 à 10 ans qui sont francophones ou qui participent à des programmes d'immersion française. Un bénévole de la Société francophone de Maillardville lit des histoires et anime des discussions autour de livres en français.

For students aged 7 to 10 who are French speakers, or active in French immersion programs. A Société francophone de Maillardville volunteer reads stories and leads book discussions in French.

With the / Avec le Société francophone de Maillardville.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Thu Jan 30 4:15–5:00 pm

Inscription / Registration:

coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12417565

Thu Feb 27 4:15–5:00 pm

Inscription / Registration:

coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12417566

Thu Mar 27 4:15–5:00 pm

Inscription / Registration:

coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12417567

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Pro D Movie Screening: *The Wild Robot*

(6 years and up)

After getting shipwrecked on an island, a robot named Roz befriends local animals, then works with them to save their home when violent recovery robots come to retrieve her. Based on the book by Peter Brown. (Universal Studios, 2024, 102 mins, rated G)



Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room &

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Fri Feb 28 1:30–3:15 pm

Parents must stay with children under 10 years old.

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Art/Beats: An Art and Music Workshop

(7–11 years)

Join our Teen Advisory Council volunteers for an interactive art and music workshop! Teens will share their knowledge in a beginner-friendly atmosphere, helping participants explore new artistic techniques and discover the joy of music.

No experience necessary—just bring your curiosity and creativity. All materials supplied.

With the Teen Advisory Council.



City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat Feb 22 1:00–3:15 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12418571

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Animal Aware

(7–12 years; parents welcome)

Parks Canada's Learn-to-Camp team will share tips on how to safely view animals in their natural habitat while keeping a respectful distance. Also, discover what you can do to help plants and animals thrive for generations to come.

With Parks Canada.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat Mar 15 12:30–1:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12300973

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca



Winnie the Pooh Day

(5–11 years, with a caregiver)

Visit the Hundred Acre Wood to celebrate Winnie the Pooh Day! Watch the 2011 animated movie, learn the true story behind the famous bear, and visit our activity stations for colouring pages, a scavenger hunt, Pin the Tail on Eeyore, and more!

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat Jan 18 1:30–4:00 pm

1:30–2:35 Winnie the Pooh movie

2:45–4:00 Activity stations are open

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12419949

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca



Spring Break Drop-in Activities

Looking for family activities to do during Spring Break? Come to the Library! We have a range of fun, family-friendly activities at both branches. All Spring Break activities are drop-in.

Lego

Our Lego bins are coming out to play. For children ages 5+ due to small pieces. First come, first serve.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Mar 19 1:30–3:00 pm

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Wed Mar 19 1:30–3:00 pm

Free Play

Choose from our collection of toys and games, including Lego, Keva, boardgames, puzzles, floor games, and more.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Thu Mar 20 1:30–3:00 pm

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Thu Mar 20 1:30–3:00 pm

Movie Screening: Harold and the Purple Crayon

Inside his book, Harold can make anything come to life, simply by drawing it with his purple crayon. When he draws himself into the real world, he sets out on an adventure he couldn't have imagined.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Fri Mar 21 1:30–3:00 pm

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Fri Mar 21 1:30–3:00 pm

Lego

Get creative with this timeless toy. For children ages 5+ due to small pieces. First come, first serve.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Mar 26 1:30–3:00 pm

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Wed Mar 26 1:30–3:00 pm

Free Play

Explore our collection of toys and games, including Lego, Keva, boardgames, puzzles, floor games, and more.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Thu Mar 27 1:30–3:00 pm

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Thu Mar 27 1:30–3:00 pm

Movie Screening: The Garfield Movie

Pampered indoor cat Garfield finds himself on a wild outdoor adventure after a reunion with his long-lost father leads to a high-stakes heist.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Fri Mar 28 1:30–3:00 pm

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Fri Mar 28 1:30–3:00 pm

Tweens & Teens

Tween Book Club

(grades 4–7)

Read, talk about, and vote for your favourite book to help choose the Red Cedar Book Award winner! It's a fun way to dive into new stories and have your say in this year's top title. Everyone can pick which books they want to read.

City Centre Branch | Room 137

Fri Jan 3 3:45–4:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320206

Fri Feb 7 3:45–4:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320207

Fri Mar 7 3:45–4:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320208

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Wed Jan 15 3:45–4:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320188

Wed Feb 12 3:45–4:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320189

Wed Mar 12 3:45–4:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12320190

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca

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 Jan 15 4:15–5:15 pm

Wed Feb 19 4:15–5:15 pm

Wed Mar 19 4:15–5:15 pm

Registration: coqlibrary.ca/tacform

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Debate 101

(students in grades 5–7)

Learn from teen volunteers in a fun, interactive debate workshop! The program includes one hour of instruction on debate skills, followed by a short, friendly debate. Learn critical thinking and public speaking skills, debate structure, and how to respectfully argue both sides of an issue.

Light refreshments provided.

With the Teen Advisory Council.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Feb 12 4:30–6:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12418583

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca

Birding for Teens with Melissa Hafting

(12–18 years)

Learn birding basics during a walk through beautiful Xéxətəm Regional Park (formerly Colony Farm Regional Park). Led by birder and author Melissa Hafting, we'll search for some of the 50+ species of birds that can be spotted at the park in the spring.



City Centre Branch | Room 136

Sat Mar 29 9:30–11:00 am

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12418622

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca



Tri-Cities students in grades 4–12: Make sure you register to participate in time. The Science Expo will once again award major prizes. Don't miss out!

Registration deadline: February 23

Registration: coqlibrary.ca/science-expo

This year's Science Expo will be held on Saturday, May 3 at Douglas College (1250 Pinetree Way).

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	Jan 18	2:00–3:30 pm
Sat	Feb 22	2:00–3:30 pm
Sat	Mar 8	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. No experience needed.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat	Jan 11	1:30–3:00 pm
Sat	Mar 29	1:30–3:00 pm

Poirier Branch | Library Lounge

Sat	Feb 15	1:30–3:00 pm
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Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Historical Hunt

This February we are spotlighting influential, inspiring, and amazing people of colour from Canada's past. Hidden throughout the library are the pictures and life stories of these figures. Fill in your fact sheet for a chance to win a prize!

See coqlibrary.ca for more details.

City Centre Branch & Poirier Branch

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca

Tree Tour

(all ages)

Tucked under the treetops, the forest understory is teeming with life that supports a rich and healthy forest.

Join the Park Spark Team and the Library to learn fun and fascinating facts about the trees, flora, and fauna found beneath the canopy of Coquitlam's largest urban park, Mundy Park.

With the Park Spark Team.

Mundy Park | Field House, 641 Hillcrest Street

Mon	Mar 24	10:00–11:30 am
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12421011

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca



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

Tue	Jan 21	6:00–8:00 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12371649

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	Feb 24	6:00–8:00 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12371549

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	Mar 10	6:00–8:00 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12372189

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Naloxone Training

(teens and adults)

In BC's overdose crisis, primary prevention is needed to combat the continuous uptick in illicit-drug toxicity deaths. Learn how to recognize an overdose and potentially save someone's life with naloxone.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Tue	Jan 14	6:30–8:00 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/11335225

Information: Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca

Exploring the Wild Arctic

(all ages)

Photographer and veteran explorer John Dunn will join us to share images and stories from his many expeditions to some of the harshest, most beautiful lands on the planet.



City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sun	Feb 9	1:00–2:30 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12194790

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca

Camping 101

(all ages)

Discover how easy and enjoyable camping can be!

Parks Canada's Learn-to Camp team will teach you everything you need to know for a fun and safe front-country camping experience. Topics include: camping basics, how to plan your trip, what to bring, camp cooking, and wildlife safety.

With Parks Canada.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Sat	Mar 15	2:00–3:00 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12301198

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Adult Programs

Adult Board Game Night

(18 years and up)

Drop-in for a fun evening of board games and socializing with other game enthusiasts. A gaming expert from Mind Games will demonstrate “don’t miss” board games for all skill levels.

With Mind Games.

Poirier Branch | Library Lounge

Wed Jan 8 6:00–8:00 pm
Wed Feb 19 6:00–8:00 pm
Wed Mar 12 6:00–8:00 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Down to Business Toastmasters Club

Build confidence and learn public speaking skills in a supportive environment. Prepare and deliver speeches, respond to impromptu questions, and give and receive constructive feedback.

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Wed Jan 8–Mar 12 9:00–10:30 am

Registration & Information:
annestadnyk@gmail.com

Healthy Shoulder Workshop

Optimize your shoulder health by learning:

- the common causes of shoulder pain,
- proper postures to help prevent shoulder pain,
- key exercises to “bulletproof” for all activities.

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

With Launch Rehab.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Thu Jan 16 6:30–7:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12396165

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Steps Forward with Christine Mackenzie

Join Christine Mackenzie, an Indigenous artist, as we explore ways to decolonize the idea of art. We will have a conversation about protocols and cultural appropriation. Each person will have an opportunity to create a unique piece that represents them with a mix of mediums, showing the importance of process.

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Wed Jan 22 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12421124

Information: Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca

Dementia Friendly Communities

Join us to learn more about dementia and explore simple strategies that can create a more supportive, inclusive and welcoming community for people affected by the disease.

With Alzheimer Society of British Columbia.

Virtual on Zoom

Tue Jan 28 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12384008

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Computer 101: How Do I Use a Computer?

This special technology program will help you gain confidence in basic computer use.

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.

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Thu Mar 13 3:30–5:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12213553

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca

Scan the QR code to go to our Adult Programs page: coqlibrary.ca/programs/adults



Hello, I Am an Entrepreneur

Jay Silverberg, an experienced entrepreneur, business trainer, and author will lead this dynamic 12-session business training program. Each session will focus on essential business strategies, equipping entrepreneurs with the tools needed to succeed.



We recommend attending all sessions to gain the full benefit of this training. Registration is required.

City Centre Branch | Board Room

Tue Mar 25 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416241

Tue Apr 8 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416242

Wed Apr 23 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416243

Tue May 20 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416244

Tue Jun 3 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416245

Tue Jun 17 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416246

Tue Jul 8 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416247

Tue Jul 22 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416248

Tue Aug 12 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416249

Tue Aug 26 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416250

Tue Sep 9 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416251

Tue Sep 16 12:00–1:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12416252

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca



Programs in Korean

Korean Seniors Group

(Recommended for age 55 years and up; in Korean)

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

City Centre Branch | Room 127

Thu Jan 2 10:00–11:30 am

Thu Feb 6 10:00–11:30 am

Thu Mar 6 10:00–11:30 am

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Young Ae at ykim@coqlibrary.ca or
Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

즐거로운 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 놀러 오십시오.

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대상: 만 55세이상

날짜: 1월 2일(목), 2월 6일(목), 3월 6일(목)

장소: 시티센터지점 127룸(1169 Pinetree Way)

시간: 오전 10:00–11:30

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Book Clubs for Adults

Pride & Allies Book Club

We meet monthly to discuss books chosen by Club members with input from Library staff. Everyone is welcome.

With the Tri-Cities Pride Society.

City Centre Branch | Board Room

Fri	Jan 10	3:30–4:30 pm
Fri	Feb 14	3:30–4:30 pm
Fri	Mar 14	3:30–4:30 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	Jan 27	7:00–8:00 pm
Mon	Feb 24	7:00–8:00 pm
Mon	Mar 31	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

Silent Book Club at the Ibex Café

Are you interested in attending a book club but don't want to commit to the conversation? Want to enjoy some books in like-minded company? Join us at Ibex Café for tasty book choices and tastier food options.

With Ibex Café.

Ibex Café | 3537 Princeton Ave (in the Burke Mountain Discovery Centre)

Wed	Jan 22	1:30–4:30 pm
Wed	Feb 12	1:30–4:30 pm
Wed	Mar 19	3:30–6:30 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Kelsey at kwaggner@coqlibrary.ca

Personal Finance for Women Book Club

Read and discuss finance books for women written by women in Canada. Gain the knowledge you need to take control of your financial situation and achieve financial wellness.

City Centre Branch | Board Room

Thu	Feb 6	7:00–8:00 pm
Thu	Mar 6	7:00–8:00 pm

Registration & Information:

Julie at toh.julie@gmail.com



EAL Book Club

Join us for a monthly book club and discover the joys of meeting to talk about books. The EAL book club is for Intermediate level English language learners. We're meeting online for the winter and will return to in-person meetings in April. New members are always welcome.

Virtual on Zoom

Mon	Jan 6	1:00–2:00 pm
Mon	Feb 3	1:00–2:00 pm
Mon	Mar 3	1:00–2:00 pm

Registration & Information:

Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca

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Library Link Schedule

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

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In effect January 5–March 30, 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

Blue Mountain Park | 975 King Albert Ave
11:00 am–12:00 pm

Ranch Park Elementary | 2701 Spuraway Ave
12:45–1:45 pm

*Visits only on: Jan 7 & 21; Feb 4 & 18; Mar 4

Hazel Trembath Elementary | 1100 Winslow Ave
12:45–1:45 pm

*Visits only on: Jan 14 & 28; Feb 11 & 25; Mar 11

Wednesdays

Riverview Park Elementary | 700 Clearwater Way
10:00–11:00 am

*No visits Mar 19 or 26

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
5:00–7:00 pm

Story Time

Starts Jan 16 6:00–6:30 pm

Fridays

Bramblewood Elementary Strong Start
2875 Panorama Dr

10:00–11:00 am

*No visits Mar 21 or 28

Galloway Park | 3404 Galloway Ave
11:30 am–1:30 pm

Saturdays

Bettie Allard YMCA | 555 Emerson St
10:00 am–1:00 pm

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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

January—Immersive Reality Books

Interactive books that blend physical reading with augmented reality, enhancing literacy and engagement for readers of all ages.

February—Sphero Indi

A beginner-friendly coding robot teaching problem-solving through colour-coded tiles, perfect for early learners.



March—Yoto Player

A screen-free audio player for kids, offering stories, music, and activities that promote independent play and learning.

eResources

January—Mauril

A free language learning app focusing on Canadian English and French through culturally rich content.

February—TumbleBook Library

A digital collection of animated storybooks, chapter books, and educational videos for kids.

March—LinkedIn Learning for Library

An e-learning platform with expert-led video courses on business, technology, and creative skills.

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Eun at lab@coqlibrary.ca

Discovery Lab Staffed Hours:

11:00 am–6:00 pm
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays

10:00 am–4:30 pm
Fridays and Saturdays

New! Come try out our Sphero Indi coding robots and Yoto screen-free audio players!

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



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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

Tue Jan 21 2:00–3:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12326156

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

Tue Feb 25 2:00–3:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12326338

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

Thu Mar 13 2:00–3:30 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12326390



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 Jan 13 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12380977

Wed Jan 29 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12371154

Mon Feb 10 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12380997

Wed Feb 26 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12372199

Mon Mar 10 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12372202

Wed Mar 26 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/12372205

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca



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Poirier Branch

575 Poirier Street
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604-554-7323

Library Hours

Library Hours	City Centre Branch	Poirier Branch
Mondays–Thursdays	9:00 am–9:00 pm	9:00 am–9:00 pm
Fridays	9:00 am–5:00 pm	9:00 am–5:00 pm
Saturdays & Sundays	10:00 am–5:00 pm	10:00 am–5:00 pm

Holiday Hours

Holiday Hours	City Centre Branch	Poirier Branch
Wednesday, January 1	Closed	Closed
Sunday, February 16	10:00 am–5:00 pm	Closed
Monday, February 17	10:00 am–5:00 pm	Closed

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