



COQUITLAM
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Programs & Events Guide

October–December 2025



City Centre Refresh

In July, the exterior of our City Centre branch got a new look, thanks to the City of Coquitlam.

- City Centre now boasts:
- fresh exterior paint and eye-catching art panels designed by artist Carolyn Wong
 - cheerful painting on the sidewalk near the Pinetree Way entrance
 - modular seating in the plaza by Henderson Mall, and café seating along the perimeter of the branch



The updates will continue into the interior of the branch, with new paint and carpeting. While we look forward to these improvements, they will cause disruptions to our programming, services, and access to some areas in the Library. During this time, workers will be on site, and construction noise is to be expected.

Many of our programs have changed locations during this time. Please double-check the locations in this guide, or online, prior to arriving.

Please see page 20 of this guide for modified hours at the City Centre branch this fall.

Estimated Timeline

- Early–Mid-September**
Refresh preparations—Some shelving and furniture will be relocated during open hours. **The Discovery Lab is unavailable.**
- Mid-September—Early October**
No access to study rooms, Teen and Children sections. Reduced public computers.
- Mid-October—End October**
No printing or photocopying available.
- Mid-November**
Refresh is complete. All spaces reopen.

Please visit coqlibrary.ca for updates.

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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.



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.

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

Story Times

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

Story Time for Babies

(0–2 years, with caregiver)

Henderson Place Mall | Central Rotunda
Tue Sep 23–Oct 21* 10:30–11:00 am
Tue Nov 4–Dec 2* 10:30–11:00 am
* No session Sep 30 or Nov 11

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Wed Sep 10–Oct 22 10:30–11:00 am
Wed Nov 5–Dec 17 10:30–11:00 am

Baby Sensory Playtime

(0–2 years, with caregiver)

Join us after Story Time for Babies for a fun playtime with sensory toys. Designed to appeal to a baby’s senses in an educational and fun way, sensory toys often feature unusual textures, movement, or sounds.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Wed Oct 1–Oct 22 11:00–11:30 am
Wed Nov 5–Dec 17 11:00–11:30 am

Story Time for Toddlers Plus

(2–5 years, with caregiver)

Henderson Place Mall | Central Rotunda
Thu Sep 25–Oct 23 10:30–11:00 am
Thu Nov 6–Dec 4 10:30–11:00 am

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Fri Sep 12–Oct 24* 10:30–11:00 am
Fri Nov 7–Dec 19+ 10:30–11:00 am

*Sep 26, Oct 24, Nov 28, and Dec 19:
Story times are sensory-friendly; quieter and more focused on sensory play.
+No session on Dec 12; join us for Santa Story Time (see page 5).

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

Story Time for Families

(0–5 years, with caregiver)

City Centre Branch | Room 127
Sat Sep 27 10:30–11:00 am
Sun Sep 28 10:30–11:00 am

Henderson Place | Central Rotunda
Mon Sep 29 10:30–11:00 am

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Sat Oct 4–25 10:30–11:00 am
Sat Nov 8–Dec 20* 10:30–11:00 am
*No session on Dec 13; join us for Santa Story Time at our City Centre branch (see page 5).

Smiling Creek Elementary | 3456 Princeton Ave
Thu Sep 18–Dec 11 6:00–6:30 pm

Stories and Crafts

(0–5 years, with caregiver)

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

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Wed Oct 29 10:30–11:30 am
Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Little Explorers (Series)

(0–6 years, with caregiver)

Gather for a story inside, then head out 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 | Board Room
Sat Sep 20–Nov 22* 2:00–3:00 pm
*No session on Sep 27
Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

PJ Story Time at Mackin House

(3–5 years, with caregiver)

Wear your favourite PJs and join our storytellers at historic Mackin House for a seasonal story time followed by snacks and drinks.
With Coquitlam Heritage.

Mackin House | 1116 Brunette Avenue
Thu Oct 30 7:00–8:00 pm
Wed Dec 17 7:00–8:00 pm
Registration: coquitlamheritage.ca/events
Registration opens 4–6 weeks before each event date



Fun in the Community with Coquitlam Heritage

Visit us at these partnership events organized by Coquitlam Heritage. Families will create thematic crafts at each event, led by Library staff.

Mid-Autumn Moon Celebration
Mackin House | 1116 Brunette Ave
Sat Oct 4 12:00–3:00 pm

Diwali in Coquitlam
Evergreen Cultural Centre | 1205 Pinetree Way
Fri Oct 10 6:00–8:00 pm

Heritage Halloween
Mackin House | 1116 Brunette Ave
Sat Oct 25 12:00–3:00 pm

Winter Wonders Holiday Celebration
Mackin House | 1116 Brunette Ave
Sun Dec 7 12:00–3:00 pm

Registration: Drop-in.
Information: www.coquitlamheritage.ca/events

coqlibrary.ca/kids



Diwali Celebration

(0–6 years, with caregiver)

Celebrate Diwali, the festival of lights. Come for story time and activities, including Diya painting and Rangoli colouring sheet. All supplies included.
Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Mon Oct 20 10:30–11:00 am
Registration: Drop-in.
Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Santa Story Time

(0–6 years, with caregiver)

Join Santa and his elves for stories, songs, and rhymes. Santa will stay for photos.
This program is repeated. Please attend only one, as space is limited.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Fri Dec 12 10:30–11:00 am
Fri Dec 12 11:30 am–12:00 pm

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137
Sat Dec 13 10:30–11:00 am
Sat Dec 13 11:30 am–12:00 pm

Registration: Drop-in.



Story Time programs are intended for individual family units. We welcome larger groups such as daycares and camps but we request advance notice if you would like to attend a program.

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.

Henderson Place | Central Rotunda

Mon	Sep 22–Oct 20*	10:30–11:00 am
Mon	Nov 3–Dec 8	10:30–11:00 am
*No session Sep 29 or Oct 13		

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Tue	Sep 9–Oct 21*	10:30–11:00 am
Tue	Nov 4–Dec 16*	10:30–11:00 am
*No session Sep 30 or Nov 11		

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Young Ae at ykim@coqlibrary.ca

한국어스토리타임

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

날짜: 9월22일 – 10월20일* 매주 월요일
*단, 9월29일과 10월13일은 수업없음.
11월3일 – 12월8일 매주 월요일

시간: 오전 10:30 – 11:00

장소: 핸더슨몰 1층 스테이지 앞
(시티센터지점옆 건물)

날짜: 9월9일 – 10월21일* 매주 화요일
11월4일 – 12월16일* 매주 화요일
*단, 9월30일과 11월11일은 수업없음

시간: 오전 10:30 – 11:00

장소: 포이리에지점 낸시베넷룸

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



Mandarin Story Time

(0–5 years, with caregiver)

Children will have an opportunity to learn and bond with parents and caregivers as we have fun reading stories, singing songs, doing fingerplays, and moving to music.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Sat	Oct 28–Nov 22	11:30 am–12:00 pm
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Registration: Drop-in.

国语故事时间

对象： 适合 0-5 岁孩童 · 无需报名。

欢迎来参加国语故事时间·在这里我们一起愉快地阅读故事·唱儿歌·做手指谣及随着音乐律动·小朋友可在既安全又有趣的环境中学习并与父母和/或看护者建立联系。

地点： Poirier 分馆 Nancy Bennett 房间

日期： (逢星期六) 10月28日至11月22日

时间： 上午11时30分至12时

不需报名 · 欢迎参加。



School-Age

Early Readers Book Club

(6–8 years)

Discover great new books and authors, and have fun with activities and games. Kids will also have time to pick out books to borrow and take home.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

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

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@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	Oct 27	4:00–5:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14395456		
Mon	Nov 24	4:00–5:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14395457		
Mon	Dec 15	4:00–5:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14395458		

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Tue	Nov 25	4:00–5:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14395478		
Tue	Dec 16	4:00–5:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14395479		

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca

Pro D Movie Screening: Elio

(6 years and up)

A human boy befriends alien lifeforms and tries to solve an intergalactic crisis when he is mistaken for Earth’s leader. (Disney/Pixar, 2025, 90 mins, rated G)

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Fri	Oct 24	1:30–3:00 pm
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Parents must stay with children under 10 years old.

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Tween Book Club

(grades 4–6)

Help decide the 2026 winner of the Young Reader’s Choice Award! Read at least five of the eight nominated books, cast your vote for the best book of the year, and earn points to redeem fun prizes.

Poirier Branch | Group Study Room 6

Tue	Oct 7	4:00–4:45 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14498751		
Tue	Nov 4	4:00–4:45 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14498752		
Tue	Dec 2	4:00–4:45 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14498753		

Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@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.

Note: Reading Buddies will only be held at the Poirier branch this fall, due to renovations at the City Centre branch. Meetings will return to both branches in February 2026.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Wed	Oct 15–Dec 3	4:00–5:00 pm
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*Oct 22 meeting in Library Lounge

Registration: coqlibrary.ca/reading-buddies

Information: Chris at cmiller@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 also volunteer for in-person events.

Virtual on Zoom

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

Registration: coqlibrary.ca/teen-advisory-council

Information: Chris at cmiller@coqlibrary.ca

Family & All-Ages

Chess Club

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 11	2:00–3:30 pm
Sat	Nov 1	2:00–3:30 pm
Sat	Dec 6	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.

Poirier Branch | Library Lounge

Sat	Nov 22	1:30–3:00 pm
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Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Holiday Card Making: An Inclusive Craft for All Ages

(6 years and up)

Get into the holiday spirit and give back to the community by making greeting cards that will be delivered to local seniors. This sensory-friendly event is designed to help everyone feel included. All supplies provided.

Participants will earn volunteer hours through Community Volunteer Connections.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Wed	Dec 10	3:00–5:00 pm
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Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Kelsey at kwaggner@coqlibrary.ca



Nature Walk

(all ages)

Join the Library and the City of Coquitlam's Park Spark Team for a nature walk, where you will learn about the plants, animals, and insects that live in our local parks.

Park Spark will give away free tree seedlings to participants at this event.

With the Park Spark Team.

Mundy Park | Field House, 641 Hillcrest Street

Fri	Oct 3	10:00–11:30 am
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14582115

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Trivia: Percy Jackson & the Olympians

(all ages)

Calling all Percy Jackson fans! Gather your family and friends for a fun evening of trivia that will test your knowledge of the mythological demigods, gods, and monsters of this fantasy series. There will be prizes and giveaways!

City Centre Branch | Rooms 136 & 137

Tue	Dec 9	6:00–7:00 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14540487

Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Truth and Reconciliation

(all ages)

Coquitlam Public Library at Place des Arts

Coquitlam Public Library staff will be at Place des Arts during their National Day for Truth and Reconciliation: Empowering Voices Through Art program.

Browse and borrow books from our Indigenous collection, and create a craft.

Place des Arts | 1120 Brunette Avenue

Tue	Sep 30	1:00–5:00 pm
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Registration: Drop-in.

Coquitlam Public Library at Glen Pine

Join the City of Coquitlam and Coquitlam Public Library for a day of reflection and learning. We will have a themed collection of books, crafts, and special story reading sessions for children and adults.

Glen Pine Pavilion | 1200 Glen Pine Court

Tue	Sep 30	11:00 am–3:00 pm
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Registration: Drop-in.

Holiday Hellos! Greeting Cards for Seniors

Help spread joy throughout Coquitlam! Create a "Holiday Hello" that we will add to care packages for older adults in our community.

This is our 6th year of sharing Holiday Hello packages. With your help, we delivered holiday cheer to over 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 28th.



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.



Science Expo 2026

Tri-Cities students in grades 4 to 12:

Set a reminder to check the Library's website in early November for announcements and all the documentation you will need in order to participate in the most exciting science celebration in the Tri-Cities.

Science Expo will be held in May 2026.



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/library-link or phone 604-554-7323.

Scan the QR code to go to our Library Link page:
coqlibrary.ca/library-link



In effect October 1–December 20,
unless otherwise noted.

The Link is on a holiday break from December 21–January 2.

Sundays

Riley Park | 1320 Riley St
10:30 am–12:00 pm

Sheffield Park | Chandler St & Sheffield Ave
1:00–2:30 pm

Tuesdays

Mountain View Elementary | 740 Smith Ave
9:10–10:10 am*
*Oct 7 & 21, Nov 4 & 25, Dec 9 only

Meadowbrook Elementary | 900 Sharpe St
9:10–10:10 am*
*Oct 14 & 28, Nov 18, Dec 2 & 16 only

Blue Mountain Park | 975 King Albert Ave
10:45–11:45 am

Ranch Park Elementary | 2701 Spuraway Ave
12:45–1:45 pm*
*Oct 7 & 21, Nov 4 & 25, Dec 9 only

Hazel Trembath Elementary | 1100 Winslow Ave
12:45–1:45 pm*
*Oct 14 & 28, Nov 18, Dec 2 & 16 only

Wednesdays

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

Maillard Middle | 1300 Rochester Ave
11:20 am–12:20 pm

Hampton Park Elementary | 1760 Paddock Dr
2:30–5:15 pm

Thursdays

Victoria Hall | 3435 Victoria Dr
9:30 am–12:00 pm

Walton Elementary | 2960 Walton Ave
1:00–2:30 pm

Smiling Creek Elementary | 3456 Princeton Ave
5:00–7:00 pm*
Story Time
Sep 18–Dec 11 6:00–6:30 pm
*Dec 11—last stop before Christmas break

Fridays

Bramblewood Elementary
2875 Panorama Dr
10:00–11:00 am*
*No stop Oct 24 or Dec 19

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

Saturdays

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

Maillardville Community Centre | 1200 Cartier Ave
2:00–3:30 pm*
*No stop Nov 15

Hollydaze in the Heights | 1000 block, Ridgeway Ave
4:00–9:00 pm*
*Nov 15 only

Scary Story Contest 2025



Tri-Cities youth: Send us your frightening fiction for a chance to win prizes in our annual Scary Story Contest.

- ☠ Stories must be 500 words or less and must contain three key words: ashen | grim | unearthly
- ☠ Age categories: 11–14 & 15–18
- ☠ **Deadline: Sunday, October 19 at 11:59 pm**
Send your story as an email message to scarystorycontest2025@gmail.com
No attachments.
- ☠ **Prizes in both age categories:** \$50, \$30, and \$20 gift cards to Coquitlam Centre Mall for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place respectively. Stories will be published on library web sites and/or social media.
- ☠ Full contest details: coqlibrary.ca/scary-story

The Scary Story Contest is a partnership between Coquitlam Public Library, Port Moody Public Library, and Terry Fox Library (member of Fraser Valley Regional Library).



Teens & Adults

Dungeons & Dragons Campaign

(16 years and up)

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 characters and embark on this epic journey! Please bring your own dice if you have some.

Each session is a separate one-shot campaign with a similar storyline.

Poirier Branch | Board Room

Tue Oct 7 6:00–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14497699

Tue Nov 18 6:00–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14497700

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Holiday Card Making: An Inclusive Craft

(16 years and up)

Get into the holiday spirit and give back to the community by making cards that will be delivered to local seniors as part of our Holiday Hellos program (see page 10). This sensory-friendly event is designed to help everyone feel included. All supplies included.

Participants will earn volunteer hours through Community Volunteer Connections.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Fri Nov 14 2:00–4:00 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca



Juried Art Exhibition: Opening Reception

You're invited to celebrate the opening of our 2025 Juried Art Exhibition. This year's theme is "Metamorphosis" and the exhibit showcases works that explore change, renewal, and transformation.

Bring a friend (or two!) and enjoy the refreshments, view the exhibit, and mingle with the artists.

Alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase during the reception. To buy alcoholic drinks, you must be 19+ and present valid government-issued photo ID. Proceeds will go towards cost-recovery and Coquitlam Public Library's programs and services.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Fri Oct 17 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14522664

Registration opens Sep 26.

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



Brave Spaces—for teens and adults

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.

There will be time for questions from the audience after each presentation. Light refreshments will be served.

Registration is recommended for each session, but drop-ins are welcome.

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

Immigrant Experiences

Raise your awareness of people who are from diverse groups and discover how everyone's story is different.

This session includes speakers from TCLIP's Immigrant Advisory Table.

With Tri-Cities Local Immigration Partnership.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Thu Oct 9 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14518596

Immigrant Documentary: *Inay*

Join us for a screening of the documentary *Inay*, which explores the complex experiences of Filipino Canadians, focusing on the impact of family separation on mental health.

The film screening will be followed by a panel discussion with film director Thea Loo. Join us for a rich discussion on how communities can support immigrant youth and families in building a sense of belonging and wellness.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Thu Oct 23 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14518566



Growing Up Ernie Cardinal

This session's speaker, Ernie Cardinal, is a humble Cree man dedicated to helping inter-city street youth and Aboriginal families in crisis.

Ernie's powerful presentations on colonization and the adverse effects it has on the Indigenous community are unforgettable. He balances his traditional Cree upbringing with a solid educational background, including a Bachelor of Arts in Child and Youth Care Counselling with a specialization in the Aboriginal Stream, as well as Certification in Native Family and Community Counselling and Native Youth Work.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Thu Nov 6 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14518716

Break the Silence: The Power of Active Witnessing

Have you ever witnessed a hurtful incident and didn't know what to say or do and remained silent?

Facilitator Angela Ma Brown, an anti-racist educator with over 25 years of experience in the public school system, will show you how to develop your skill set and confidence to courageously and safely intervene during a discriminatory incident.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room

Thu Nov 20 6:30–8:00 pm

Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14518694

Adult Programs

Introduction to Nature Journaling

The City of Coquitlam’s Park Spark team will lead you in a nature journaling workshop at Mundy Park. Recording your observations, sketching wildlife, and reflecting on your outdoor experiences will help deepen your connection to the natural world, as well as foster mindfulness and observation skills.

Mundy Park Field House | 641 Hillcrest Street
Fri Oct 17 10:00–11:30 am
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14496550
Information: Aman at asaroya@coqlibrary.ca

Mock Citizenship Test

Join Librarian Kelsey for an overview of the Canadian citizenship test, library resources to help you study, and a timed practice test.

Virtual on Zoom
Thu Oct 23 4:00–5:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14433061
Information: Kelsey at kwaggener@coqlibrary.ca

Getting Started with Libby

Get a hands-on introduction to the Libby app and start borrowing eBooks, audiobooks, and magazines. Please bring your phone or tablet and your Coquitlam Public Library card number and PIN.

Dogwood Pavilion | 1655 Winslow Avenue
Tue Oct 28 10:30–11:30 am
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14083249
Information: Rosanne at rhoekstra@coqlibrary.ca

Adult Board Game Night

(18 years and up)

Drop-in for a fun evening of board games with friends. An expert from Mind Games will demonstrate “don’t miss” board games for all skill levels.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Thu Nov 13 6:00–8:00 pm
Registration: Drop-in.
Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca



Climate Action Week: November 1–7, 2025

This week, libraries across BC are raising awareness about climate change. Join us to explore the history of human activity and climate change, and to learn how to build your resilience in these challenging times.

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Climate Resiliency Skills Workshop

When faced with extreme weather events, increased wildfires, and other climate emergencies, it is easy to feel like the scale of the problem is unsurmountable. In this workshop, you will learn daily actionable steps you can take to turn your climate despair in to action.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Tue Nov 4 6:00–8:30 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14532627

Climate Action: The Power of Big Oil

Join us for a screening of the documentary, *The Power of Big Oil*, which highlights the fossil fuel industry’s history of delaying climate action. There will be a facilitated group discussion following the film.

With Force of Nature alliance, The Tri-Cities Team. Screening and publicity rights provided by Kanopy.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Wed Nov 5 6:00–8:30 pm
Registration: Drop-in.

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



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.

Poirier Branch | Nancy Bennett Room
Mon Oct 6 10:00–11:30 am
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14515488
Mon Nov 3 10:00–11:30 am
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14515489
Mon Dec 1 10:00–11:30 am
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14515490
Information: Young Ae at ykim@coqlibrary.ca or Shirley at schan@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.

이 프로그램은 한국어로 진행되며, 무료입니다.

신청은 도서관 웹사이트로 하시기 바랍니다.

날짜: 10월 6일(월), 11월 3일(월), 12월 1일(월)
시간: 오전 10:00–11:30
장소: 포이리에지점 낸시베넷룸 (575 Poirier Street)
대상: 만 55세이상

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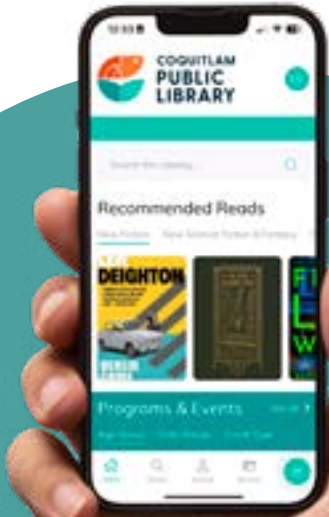
Your Library on the Go...

Download the Coquitlam Public Library app and carry the Library with you everywhere!

The app allows you to:

- store your library card on your mobile device
- check out Recommended Reads and the Library's latest titles
- search for titles, place holds, and check out digital items
- see upcoming events at the Library, and search for events by subject or age group
- access your account information to view your checkouts, renew items, and double check due dates
- book a meeting or study room, and view your existing bookings
- find branch hours and locations

Coquitlam Public Library’s free app is available at Google Play and the App Store.



Book Clubs

English as an Additional Language Book Club

The EAL book club is for intermediate-level English language learners. New members are welcome.

Virtual on Zoom

Mon	Oct 6	1:00–2:00 pm
Mon	Nov 3	1:00–2:00 pm
Mon	Dec 1	1:00–2:00 pm

Registration & Information:
Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca

Personal Finance for Women Book Club

Dive into powerful books written by Canadian women, for Canadian women. Get strategies to help you own your financial story and build the future you want.

City Centre | Board Room

Thu	Oct 2	7:00–8:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14429624		
Thu	Dec 4	7:00–8:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14429625		

Information: Julie at toh.julie@gmail.com

Pride & Allies Book Club

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

With the Tri-Cities Pride Society.

New location!

Poirier Branch | Board Room

Wed	Oct 29	7:00–8:00 pm
Wed	Nov 26	7:00–8:00 pm
Wed	Dec 17	7:00–8:00 pm

Registration & 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? 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	Oct 22	2:00–4:00 pm
Wed	Nov 19	2:00–4:00 pm
Wed	Dec 17	2:00–4:00 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Kelsey at kwaggner@coqlibrary.ca

Virtual Book Club

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

Virtual on Zoom

Mon	Oct 27	7:00–8:00 pm
Mon	Nov 24	7:00–8:00 pm
Mon	Dec 15	7:00–8:00 pm

Registration: Please ask to join on the "CoqLibrary Virtual Book Club" Facebook group.

Information: Ann at ajohannes@coqlibrary.ca



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	Oct 28	2:00–3:30 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14465119

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

Thu	Nov 20	2:00–3:30 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14466275

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	Dec 18	2:00–3:30 pm
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Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14458858

Conversation & Connection

(for age 16 years and up)

Discover the art of meaningful communication in these immersive sessions that are designed to help you connect deeply, express yourself confidently, and strengthen relationships. For intermediate to advanced English speakers.

With VoiceStory.

Poirier Branch | Board Room

Mon	Oct 6	6:30–8:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14509779		
Mon	Oct 20	6:30–8:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14511218		

Mon	Nov 3	6:30–8:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14511241		

Wed	Nov 19	6:30–8:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14511255		

Mon	Dec 15	6:30–8:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14511327		

Mon	Dec 22	6:30–8:00 pm
Registration: coquitlam.libnet.info/event/14511355		

Information: Shirley at schan@coqlibrary.ca

Discovery Lab

Visit the Discovery Lab at our City Centre branch where we showcase eResources and items in our lendable technology collection. Our expert staff will demonstrate the technology and answer your questions.

Registration: Drop-in.
Information: Eun at lab@coqlibrary.ca

Due to the remodeling work at the City Centre branch, the location of our Discovery Lab collections and services may change temporarily. Please check the Library’s website at coqlibrary.ca/discovery-lab before visiting.

Lendable Technology

October—Radon Detector

Our portable radon detectors offer a quick assessment of your home’s radon levels, allowing you to easily monitor them with a compact, efficient device.



November—Happy Light Lamp

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

December—Ozobot (EVO & BIT)

Meet Ozobot, the tiny robot that makes coding fun! Use colourful markers or block coding on screen to create programs, explore STEAM, and learn problem-solving skills in exciting, hands-on ways.

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



Discovery Lab Staffed Hours:

11:00 am–6:00 pm
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays
10:00 am–4:30 pm
Fridays and Saturdays
Hours may vary due to staff availability.
Please check coqlibrary.ca/discovery-lab for current information.

eResources

October—Transparent Language Online

Dive into over 110 world languages! Use the immersive lessons and interactive tools to start speaking confidently.

November—NovelList

Discover the perfect books for your interests and reading level.

December—Clicklaw

Find clear, simple legal information for life in BC. Clicklaw connects you to trusted guides and resources that help with everyday problems about family, work, housing, safety, and community.

Senior Tech Clinics

Drop-in for one-on-one tech help. Support is available for basic computer and tech questions such as using email, searching the Internet, and downloading eBooks.

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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

Discovery Lab’s 2-Year Anniversary

(kids, teens, and adults)

Celebrate Our Discovery Lab’s two-year anniversary, with exciting activities, exploration, and creativity.

City Centre Branch | Discovery Lab

Dec 10–13 12:00–5:00 pm

Registration: Drop-in.

Information: Eun at lab@coqlibrary.ca

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Daily

Cricut Maker 3 Projects: Design and cut your holiday creations with Cricut Maker 3.

Due to limited daily availability, please email lab@coqlibrary.ca in advance if you wish to use the Cricut Maker 3. Please see coqlibrary.ca/discovery-lab for usage details.

Sphero Maze Races: Navigate the maze and race your way to victory!

Spotlights

Dec 10

Microscope Wonders: Explore tiny worlds with slides of plants, insects, and human samples.

Dec 11

3D Adventures: Try our 3D cardboard goggles with interactive Immersive Reality books.

Dec 12

Nintendo Classic Mini: Play 21 classic games on our giant 65-inch screen!

Dec 13

Kids’ Button-Making: Turn your designs into personalized buttons!

CPL Borrow

Skip the checkout line with the CPL Borrow app. Just download the app to your personal smartphone, iPad, or Android tablet, and use your device’s camera to scan items directly off the shelf. Your items will be checked out and ready to go. Please note, you must be in the Library to checkout items with CPL Borrow.

CPL Borrow is a Meescan Inc. product.

Please scan the QR code below for a quick tutorial on downloading and using CPL Borrow or visit: my.nicheacademy.com/coqlibrary/course/74770



CPL Website

The exterior of our City Centre branch got a fresh new look and our website felt a bit left out. So, we gave it an update as well.

Visit coqlibrary.ca and check out our cheerful colour palette and streamlined navigation. We’ve made improvements based on your feedback, including bringing you more Staff Picks, with recommended titles for every age group and interest.

Have fun exploring!





Library Link

See schedule on page 10 of this guide or at coqlibrary.ca/library-link



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1169 Pinetree Way
Coquitlam, BC V3B 0Y1
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Poirier Branch

575 Poirier Street
Coquitlam, BC V3J 6A9
604-554-7323

Library Hours

City Centre Branch

Poirier Branch

	Sep–Nov	Dec Return to regular hours	
Mondays–Thursdays	10:00 am–8:00 pm	9:00 am–9:00 pm	9:00 am–9:00 pm
Fridays	10:00 am–5:00 pm	9:00 am–5:00 pm	9:00 am–5:00 pm
Saturdays	10:00 am–5:00 pm	10:00 am–5:00 pm	10:00 am–5:00 pm
Sundays	10:00 am–5:00 pm	10:00 am–5:00 pm	12:00 am–5:00 pm

Holiday Hours

City Centre Branch

Poirier Branch

Sunday, October 12	10:00 am–5:00 pm	Closed
Monday, October 13	10:00 am–5:00 pm	Closed
Tuesday, November 11	Closed	Closed
Wednesday, December 24	9:00 am–3:00 pm	9:00 am–3:00 pm
Thursday, December 25	Closed	Closed
Friday, December 26	Closed	Closed
Wednesday, December 31	9:00 am–3:00 pm	9:00 am–3:00 pm
Thursday, January 1, 2026	Closed	Closed

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