



**STIRLING-RAWDON**  
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# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



## LIBRARY HOURS:

Sunday, Monday CLOSED  
Tuesday - Thursday 10-7  
Friday, Saturday 10-3

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## Library Update

To our amazing patrons: thank you for filling our library with energy, curiosity, and community spirit. You make our work meaningful, and we're grateful for every visit, question, and smile.

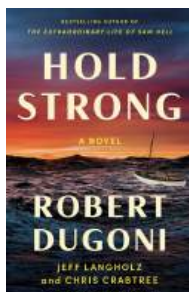
As we near the end of 2025 please enjoy these staff book recommendations. Each book is something we enjoyed reading this year and we think you will too!

### JAYE'S PICK

**Isola, Allegra Goodman:** A young woman and her lover are marooned on an island in this epic saga of love, faith, and defiance. Inspired by the real life of a sixteenth-century heroine, Isola is the timeless story of a woman fighting for survival.

### THERESA'S PICK

**Hold Strong, Robert Dugoni:** an epic and inspiring novel based on true events—about love, heroism, and resilience during the darkest chapters of World War II. Hold Strong is a one-of-a-kind novel that explores faith, courage, survival, and coming home against insurmountable odds.



### HALEY'S PICK

**The World's Greatest Detective and her Just Okay Assistant, Liza Tully:** A great detective's young assistant yearns for glory, but first they have learn to get along in this delightful feel good mystery. Olivia Blunt doesn't want to be an assistant detective for the rest of her life but she realizes she might be in over her head with this whole detective thing... or she might be unravelling a mystery even bigger than the one she'd started with.



## MILL HOURS

Tuesdays: 3-6:30  
Saturdays: 10-2:30

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# ADULT PROGRAMS



## Watercolour Cards Adult Craft Night Tuesday, December 9th at 6pm

Get into the holiday spirit at the library! Join us to paint simple, beautiful Christmas cards using watercolours. Supplies will be provided, all you need to bring is your creativity and festive cheer. Relax, paint, and make something special to share this season.

Registration required.



## Stirling MILL Ukulele Group (SMUG) Fridays at 10am

Join us weekly to play and sing together. Bring your own ukulele or just come and sing along! Ukuleles will also be available to play. No experience necessary. No registration required.

## Yacking with Yarn: 1-3pm Friday, December 12th

Drop in and join us to share about knitting, crocheting, embroidery, cross stitch or any fibre art that can travel. Whether you're a beginner or have advanced skills in the fibre arts, you're welcome to join us. No registration required.

## Library Book Club Tues. December 16th at 2pm

Did you know that Jane Austen's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday is December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025? To celebrate, our theme for December is all things Jane Austen! Read one of her books or something inspired by Jane Austen and at our meeting, we'll share what we read. It's all about connecting over stories, without the pressure of one set reading list. No registration required, new members always welcome.



## Creative Curiosity Club Wednesdays at 1pm

This is a space to make art simply for the joy of it, no rules, no pressure, and no experience needed. Each week we'll explore a new prompt, material, or technique, but the focus is on play, curiosity, and self-expression rather than perfection. All supplies are provided, just bring yourself and an open mind. No registration required.

## Holiday Hours

Please note the holiday closures between December 24<sup>th</sup> and January 1st.

**Wednesday, December 24th: CLOSED**

**Thursday, December 25th: CLOSED**

**Friday, December 26th: CLOSED**

**Saturday, December 27th: CLOSED**

**Tuesday, December 30th: 10-7**

**Wednesday, December 31st: 10-4 (closing early)**

**Thursday, January 1st: CLOSED**

Normal hours resume Friday, January 2nd.



# CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



## STORYTIME

**Thursdays at 10:30am**

Bring your little ones for a lively and engaging storytime session featuring books, songs, and interactive activities. Perfect for toddlers and preschoolers, Storytime encourages a love of reading, sparks imagination, and supports early learning — all in a warm and welcoming space. Recommended for ages 4 and under and their caregiver. No registration required.



## DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

**Thursdays at 5pm**

Adventure awaits! Join our all-ages, drop-in Dungeons & Dragons game, no experience necessary. Whether you're a seasoned hero or brand new to roleplaying, everyone is welcome at the table. Create characters, explore fantastical worlds, and work together to overcome challenges in this fun and beginner-friendly session. Dice, character sheets, and guidance provided. Just bring your imagination! No registration required.



## NOON YEARS EVE

**Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 11am**

Ring in the Noon Year at the Library! Can't stay up until midnight? Join us for a special Noon Year's Eve Celebration, a fun-filled countdown to noon! Dress up in your party best and help us welcome the New Year early! No registration required, recommended for all ages.



## After School Hangout Wednesdays at 4pm

### December 3rd: Elf Workshop

Step into the holiday magic! Join us in the library for a festive Elf Workshop, where kids can create and celebrate like real North Pole elves. Come craft, imagine, and spread some cheer!

### December 10th: Extreme Tic Tac Toe

The craziest twist on tic tac toe you've ever played! To claim a square, you've gotta EARN it with a wild challenge. Bring your energy, and race to 3 in a row!

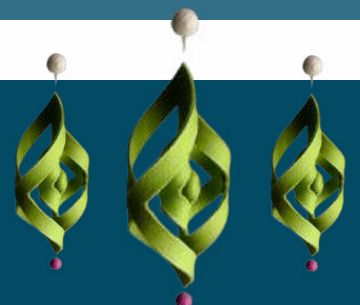
### December 17th: Bingo

Join us for a lively round of Bingo. A fun, family-friendly game for all ages! Grab a card, listen for the calls, and try your luck as you race to fill a row, column, or the whole board.

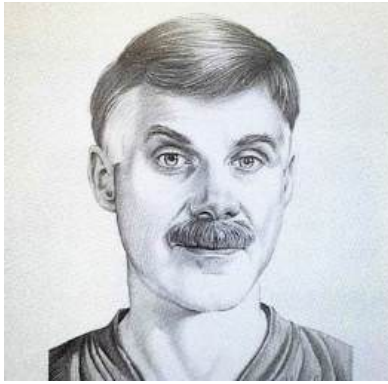
## Take & Make Kit: Felt Ornaments

Available Saturday, December 6th. While supplies last.

Drop into the children's department to pick up a kit containing the supplies needed to create fun and festive felt ornaments. All you need to provide are scissors and glue!



# GUESTS



## In the Art Gallery

### Back to Front by John C. Leonard

The Stirling-Rawdon Library Art Gallery is excited and honoured to showcase two separate upcoming series by Canadian artist John C. Leonard.

'Back to Front', the second exhibition by Leonard, will take place from November 22 to December 13. It will feature traditional life drawings and portraits of notable artists and friends of Leonard, including Otis Tamasauskas, Gary Greenwood, and Rod Prouse, as well as a self-portrait of the artist.



## On Display County Work House

During the month of December check out County Work House's beautiful handmade scarves in the lobby display case.

They use natural materials and rusted shapes and objects to create one of a kind, hand stitched scarves and wraps.

They are located in Prince Edward County



## Meet Santa

**Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 1pm**

Join us for a magical holiday morning at the library as Santa himself stops by for a special visit! Families are invited to meet Santa, snap photos, and make some festive crafts. Thanks to Stirling-Rawdon Council, everyone can enjoy a cozy cup of hot chocolate, perfect for getting into the holiday spirit! The library will have fun, family-friendly colouring pages and seasonal crafts for kids of all ages. Create something festive to take home! Come celebrate the season with stories, creativity, and plenty of holiday cheer. All are welcome!



## Food For Fines

Got fines on your library account? Throughout the month of December, you can clear them while helping our community!

Every item you give supports the Community Cupboard and families in need during the holiday season. It's a great way to start fresh with your library account and spread a little kindness.

Bring food. Forgive fines. Feed our community. Thank you for giving generously!



## Good Food Bags & Good Baby Box

If paying in cash at the library, Good Food Bag and Good Baby Box orders need to be in by Wednesday, December 10th at 11:30am to receive your order on Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. **\*Please note the earlier dates in December\***

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