

News from Prince Edward Island

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APLA Conference

The Atlantic Provinces Library Association's 2022 Conference will be held virtually from **Tuesday, June 7th – Friday June 10th**. The theme of this year's conference is: **Bridging the Gap: Inclusion and Diversity in Libraries/Réduire les barrières : l'inclusion et la diversité dans les bibliothèques!**



Do you have a great idea that you would like to present? Our Call for Proposals has been extended until **March 4th** and we would love to hear from you!

We would also like to announce that our opening Keynote Speaker is **Ryan Dowd!** Author of The Librarian's Guide to Homelessness.

Questions: conference@apla.ca [Website](#)

Programming

We had a brief foray into in-person programming in December and saw some great events happening for folks of all ages, including painted terra-cotta pots with Teens at the Bibliothèque publique Dr.-J.-Edmond-Arsenault. We have also been carrying on with some wonderful virtual events, a D&D Club, Hackmatack, celebrating Black History Month, Psychology Month, and more. More craft kits have been making their way to branches as well!



Celebrate Black History Month 2022
Virtual events on Zoom begin by sending an email to peilibrary@peilibrary.ca or registration closes at 4:00 p.m. on the day before the event.

(j)ic: A Voyage Into Immigrant Life with Elizabeth Iwunwa
Thursday, February 17th at 7:00 p.m.
Learn about the realities of living on PEI as an immigrant, find out about the upcoming anniversary of PEI immigrant camps, recipes, & more.

Storytelling and Dance with Maritime Centre For African Dance
Tuesday, February 22nd at 7:30 p.m.
Join us for a storytelling and dance workshop with celebrated choreographer Reeqad Smith.

Creative Songwriting Workshop with Joyce Reymore & Vince The Messenger for Teens
Thursday, February 24th at 7:00 p.m. - Ages 13-17
An introduction to creative songwriting where youth will learn processes of songwriting, finding inspiration, and channeling creativity into song. Space is limited.

VIRTUAL LIBRARY PROGRAMS

ADULTS
Anxiety in Children and Adolescents
Wednesday, February 16th at 6:30 p.m.
Join with Dr. David Smith and Dr. David Smith, Dr. Brent Macdonald in partnership with the Psychological Association of Prince Edward Island.

TEENS
Creative Songwriting Workshop with Joyce Reymore & Vince The Messenger
Thursday, February 24th at 7:00 p.m. - Ages 13-17
Learn the creative songwriting where youth will learn processes of songwriting, finding inspiration, and channeling creativity into song. Space is limited.
Dungeons and Dragons
Friday at 3:00 p.m. - Teens
Create, play, and participate in a simple D&D game! No dice required. Please register because space is limited.

CHILDREN
Hackmatack Virtual Book Club
Thursday, February 24th at 4:00 p.m. - Ages 8-12
A reading group for a book award where KIDS choose the stories.

Family Storytime
Thursday at 10:30 a.m. - Ages 5-5
Enjoy stories, songs and games. For kids and their grown-up book-loving centres welcome.

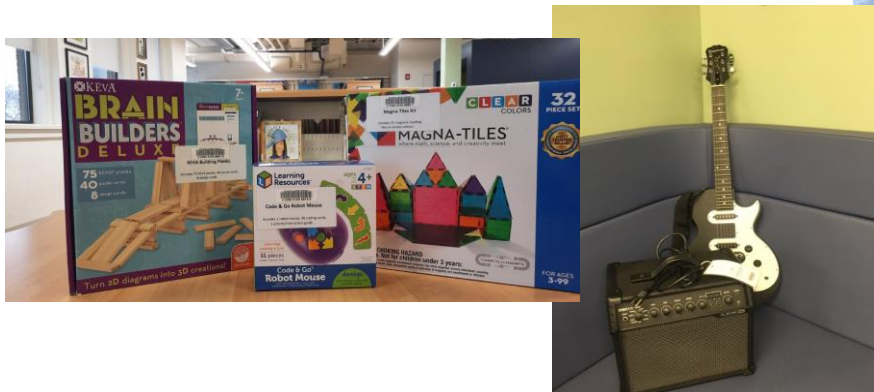
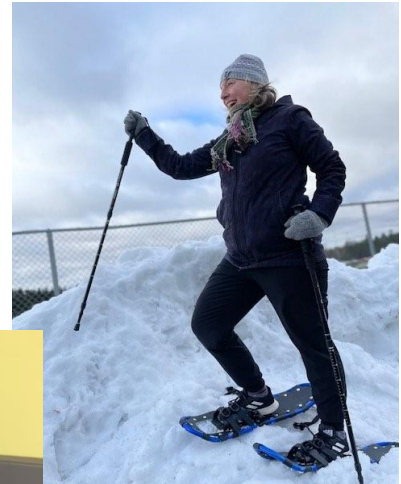
Register by emailing peilibrary@peilibrary.ca
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www.library.pe.ca @PEILibrary



Initiatives

Our popular snowshoe loan program is back and made the [news when a local nurse used her borrowed pair to get to work during a storm!](#)

We have added more instruments to our [Sun Life Musical Instrument Lending Library](#) including electric guitars and amps. We have also added new STEM Kits to our Library of Things collection.



Other News

There has been more progress at the new Charlottetown Library Learning Centre and we are hoping to host a virtual tour at the upcoming Conference in June!

Staffing News

Grace Dawson has shifted roles within the PEI Public Library Service and is now the Library Technology Services Manager for the PEI Public Library Service. Congratulations!

Just for fun

We had some social media fun with the current [Wordle](#) obsession and created a few of our own which were well received!

