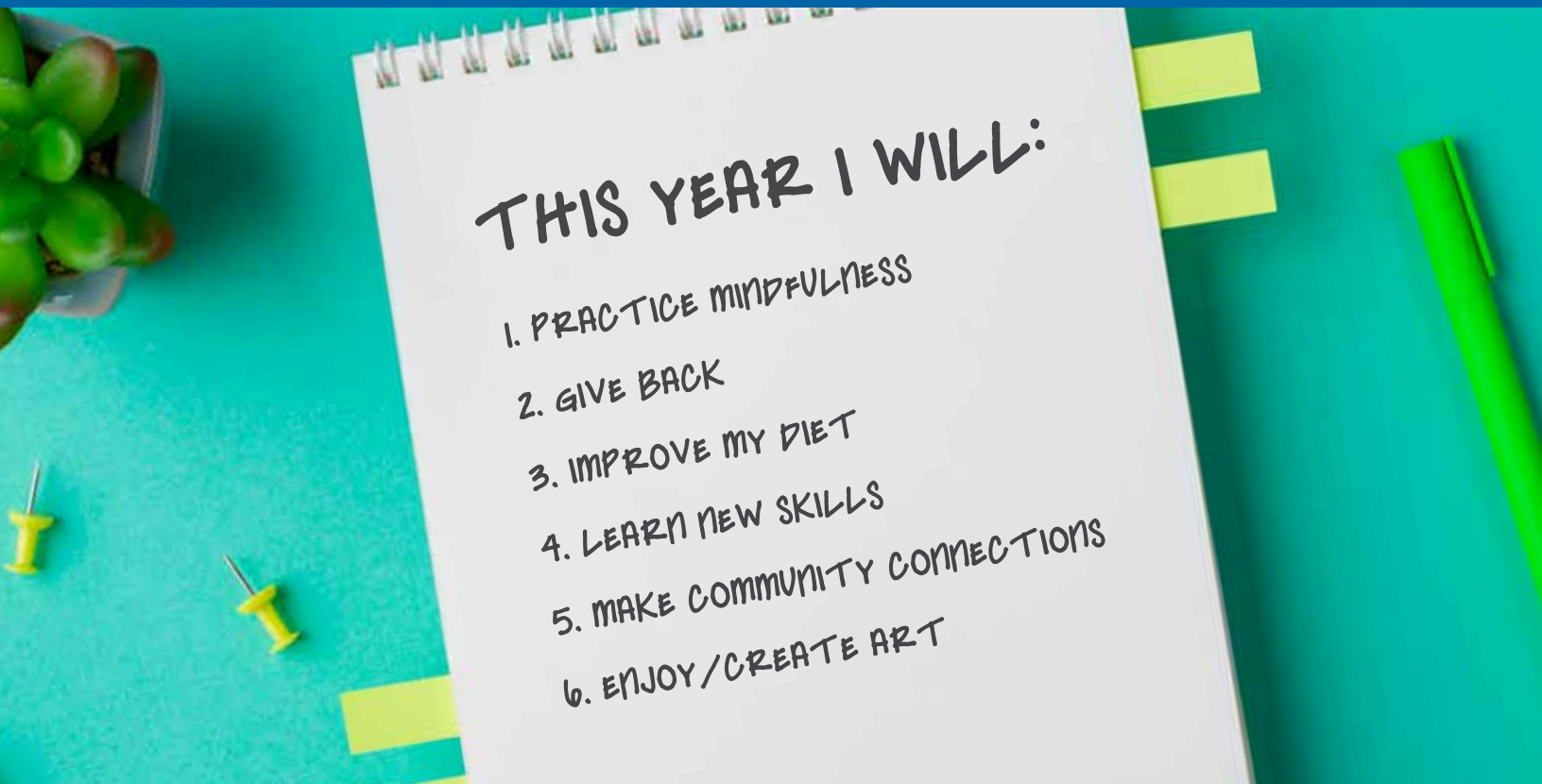


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Dear North Canton Community,

In January of 2023, our Library Board and staff were excited to begin work on our 2023-2026 Strategic Plan – a plan that was shaped and inspired by you, our patrons! As we look toward a fresh year ahead of us in 2024, I wanted to share with you some of the goals we achieved and new ideas we generated this past year to better serve our North Canton community. We're looking forward to adding more improvements and enhanced services in the upcoming year, and we can't wait to share those developments with you.

Goal #1: Create the Ultimate Customer Experience

What Have We Done So Far in Year One? We invested in directional floor decals to help patrons navigate our building with ease and confidence. We remained committed to training our staff on the art of customer service, seeking numerous professional development opportunities through the American Library Association, Public Library Association, Ohio Library Council, Northeast Ohio Regional Library System, and Library 2.0. We hired a human resources specialist to help us ensure our staff orientation, training, and overall development opportunities would be consistent and meaningful. We upgraded our online catalog so that our patrons' online search experience would be more intuitive and user friendly. We began work on building a new and improved website with hopes to launch it in 2024.

Goal #2: Enhance Functionality and Accessibility through Revitalized Public and Work Spaces

What Have We Done So Far in Year One? We partnered with Library Design Associates to renovate our lower-level Community Room, Staff Lounge, and Storage Room areas to better accommodate the needs and uses of each area. We replaced all of our book drops outside of our building with eye-catching, easy-to-use models. We installed Aunt Flow period product dispensers in all of the building's bathrooms to ensure wider access to these necessities for both patrons and staff. We replaced our self-checkout stations with units that are easier for patrons of all mobility levels to navigate and use.

Goal #3: Build Community Relationships and Engagement

What Have We Done So Far in Year One? Community Relations staff underwent specialized training in the creation and development of key messaging opportunities. Current partnerships were strengthened and new partnerships were developed. Giving opportunities with local organizations were prioritized and promoted throughout the year.

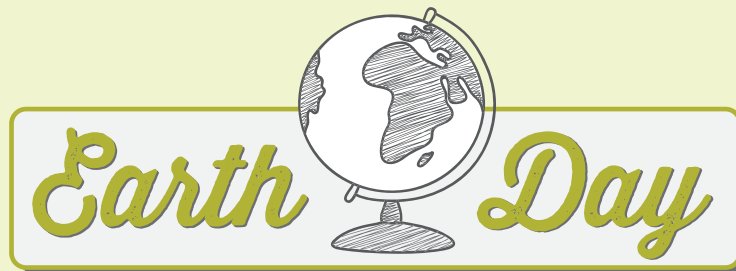
Goal #4: Seek New Avenues for Financial Sustainability

What Have We Done So Far in Year One: Grant opportunities that were successfully pursued included a Guiding Ohio Online Grant to allow for our Technology Trainer to continue to provide programs and technical support for patrons, an on-going three-year grant with the Ohio Department of Education that provides summer Camp What If programs for middle-schoolers through TomTod Ideas, Inc., and an LSTA grant that allowed us to develop a rich slate of senior programs and a dedicated collection of large-print materials for our work at the North Canton Civic (Senior) Center. The Library became a certified U.S. passport acceptance facility in November 2023, a goal that will work to benefit our patrons seeking this service and serve as a consistent source of alternative revenue for the Library.

We are all grateful for the support you've always given us and for the insight that has helped guide our decisions. This work, these goals, this progress – it's all for you.

With kindness,

Andrea Legg
Director



EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Saturday, April 20 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

ORGANICALLY GROWN HEIRLOOM PLANT SALE

Choose from a selection of organically grown plants from Know Your Roots.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Ecycle Solutions of Ohio, LLC., says "if it plugs in, we'll recycle it." This service is offered free with the exception of CFL Bulbs (\$0.50 each) and tube style fluorescent bulbs (\$0.25/foot). Tube TVs and monitors will NOT be accepted this year.

PAPER SHREDDING

Bring up to three boxes of paper per household. This program is sponsored by the City of North Canton.

GOODWILL COLLECTION

Have items that might be useful to someone else? Goodwill will have a collection truck on-site to take almost anything that's in useful condition. Donating is one of the best ways to recycle!



WHEN: Saturday, May 18
Stop in anytime between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

GIVE: Help local cat rescue groups prepare for kitten season by purchasing a gift from our Amazon or Target gift registries.

LEARN: Want to help homeless cats and kittens? Learn about volunteering, fostering and more!

ADOPT: Meet adoptable cats and kittens!

Enjoy traditional baby shower food and fun!



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK SALE

March 14 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
March 15 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
March 16 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
March 17 from 1 to 4 p.m.

FREE COMMUNITY PUZZLE LIBRARY

Bring in a puzzle, take a puzzle! Please bring in puzzles in good condition with all of the pieces to pass on to other puzzle enthusiasts. Leave with a new-to-you puzzle!

The puzzle library is on the main floor near the ongoing Friends of the Library book sale.



NEW: MINI MAKERSPACE

CRICUT:

Use our Cricut Maker, mats, Cricut tools and the library's subscription for free. Bring your own materials to cut.

BUTTONS:

Design your own buttons: 1.25" or 2.25". Purchase materials for five small buttons for \$1 or four large buttons for \$1 at the front desk.

LAMINATING:

Purchase laminating sheets at the front desk: One large (11x17) sheet for \$1 or two smaller (8.5x11) sheets for \$1.

3D PRINTING:

Submit a design (no larger than 25 MB) to reference@northcantonlibrary.org. Pick the print up at the front desk. Cost is \$3 per print.

SEWING MACHINE:

Use our in-house Brother CS7205 Computerized Sewing Machine. Bring your own fabric. Our small selection of thread and needles are free to use.

All equipment is located in the reference department; supplies can be purchased at the front desk.



SHARE THE LOVE FOOD DRIVE

February 1-29



The North Canton Cares Pantry provides groceries to residents of North Canton, military personnel and military veterans. Donate at the library in February.



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Feed More.**

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will host its Second Annual

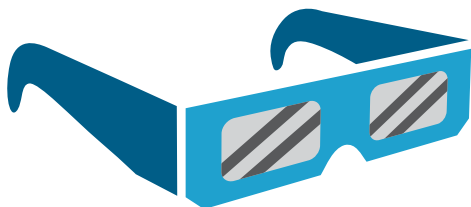
INCLUSION FAIR

Saturday, March 2, 1 to 3 p.m.

The Inclusion Fair features interactive stations to help attendees gain a better understanding of the ways children and adults with disabilities use different tools to walk, talk, see and hear.

Solar Eclipse Glasses

Are you a library card holder? If so, bring in your North Canton Public Library card to the Patron Services desk on March 18 and receive two pairs of solar eclipse glasses per person (while supplies last). If you do not have a library card, plan to get one at the Patron Services desk **before** March 18. Getting or having a library card is not a guarantee that the solar eclipse glasses will still be available. A **LIMITED SUPPLY** of glasses were supplied by Solar Eclipses Activities for Libraries and funded by the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation.



Community Art Display



March 1 through March 29

Beginning March 1, small individual canvases will be available for pickup at the Reference desk along with a series of art supplies. Create your own free-style art piece, and return it to the library by Friday, March 29. Artwork will be displayed in the library for the month of April. If you wish to keep your artwork, you may pick it up beginning Monday, May 6. Registration is open and required.

NCPL in Motion: Special Delivery Program



NCPL in motion: Special Delivery is a service for families expecting a little one or bringing home a new child. Let the library deliver materials directly to your home! You can request books, DVDs and other library materials for older siblings, the new child or yourself. Register for this program at ncantonlibrary.com/special-delivery.

NCPL in Motion: Deliveries for Seniors



This service is offered at no cost to physically restricted residents of the North Canton City School District. Materials are selected and delivered by NCPL staff. Get additional information by calling 330.499.4712 x329.

FOR CHILDREN



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AT THE LIBRARY

Registration required at ncantonlibrary.org as detailed in each program description.

WINTER FUN CAMP for grades K-2
Tuesdays, January 9, 23, February 6, 20,
March 5 from 4:45 to 5:30 p.m.
Register now for one or all dates.

As a part of Ohio Learns 360, explore and learn
about the winter world.

WINTER SURVIVAL CAMP for grades 3-5
Tuesdays, January 16, 30, February 13, 27, March 12
from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
Register now for one or all dates.

As a part of Ohio Learns 360, learn about how animals,
including humans, survive the winter.

TAIL-WAGGING TUTOR for all ages
Thursdays, January 18, February 15, March 21,
April 18 from 6 to 7 p.m.
Register now for a 10-minute reading slot for one or all dates.

Read to a certified reading therapy dog.

AROUND THE WORLD for grades K-2
Thursdays, January 25, February 29,
March 28 from 4:45 to 5:30 p.m.
Register for one or all dates beginning
Monday, January 8 at 10 a.m.

Kids get their passport stamped as we explore countries around
the world through books, art, food and language. Join us on this
amazing adventure!

SENSORY STORY TIME for children of all ages
and all abilities with a caregiver
Wednesdays, January 31, February 28, March 27,
April 24 from 1:30 to 2 p.m.
Registration begins Monday, January 15 at 10 a.m.

Join us for a fun, interactive and flexible story time with
Mrs. Gelat that encourages children to use all their senses.



POKÉMON PARTY for grades 3-5
Fridays, February 9, March 8, April 12 from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m.
Register for one or all dates beginning Monday,
January 22 at 10 a.m.

Enjoy games, crafts and activities celebrating all things Pokémon.
All you need to bring is you!

MARTIAL ARTS DEMO for grades K-5 with a caregiver
Wednesday, March 27 from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.
Registration begins Monday, March 4 at 10 a.m.

Join staff from Premier Martial Arts Studio for an interactive
demonstration lesson and learn about the benefits of martial arts.
Wear comfortable clothes.

MAGICAL MUSICAL ADVENTURES for children in preschool,
kindergarten and grade one with a caregiver
Thursday, March 28 from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.
Registration is not required.

Explore the magic of books and music with stories, songs,
movement and more.

FAMILY SOLAR ECLIPSE OPEN HOUSE
for families with children in grades K-5
Saturday, March 30, between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.
Registration begins Monday, March 4 at 10 a.m.

Stop in anytime between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to enjoy stations
of activities for the family to learn about and celebrate the 2024
Solar Eclipse.

FAMILY YOGA
See page eight for details.

TONIES

The Toniebox and Tonies are now available! Borrow this storytelling audio unit
or a variety of Tonie figures for one week at a time, per library card.

CHECKOUT:

- Toniebox bundle (includes Toniebox, four Tonies, and instructions)
- Just the Tonies (great if you already have a Toniebox at home!)

*Please note: In the Toniebox bundle, the library's Toniebox will only
play the Tonies that accompany it.*



ONGOING PROGRAMS

NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

BABY, BOOKS & ME

for infants through 24-month-olds
with a caregiver

Enjoy lapsit story time including songs,
fingerplays and more with Mrs. McBee.

Tuesdays from 10:15 to 10:35 a.m.
January 23, 30,
February 6, 13, 20, 27,
March 5, 12, April 2, 9, 16, 23

TALES FOR TWOS

for two-year-olds with a caregiver
Enjoy story time with songs, fingerplays and
more with Mrs. McBee.

Tuesdays from 11 to 11:20 a.m.
January 23, 30,
February 6, 13, 20, 27,
March 5, 12,
April 2, 9, 16, 23

READ AND SING WITH ME

for three through five-year-olds
with a caregiver

Enjoy story time with music, movement
and more with Mrs. Howard.

Thursdays from 10:30 to 11 a.m.
January 25, February 1, 8, 15, 22, 29,
March 7, April 4, 11, 18, 25

FAMILY LEGO CLUB

for children in preschool through grade five
with a caregiver

Design creations with our LEGO collection.

Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
January 3, February 7, March 6, April 3, May 1

Join us Monday, March 25 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. for a special spring
break LEGO session!

OPEN BEAM PLAY

for children in preschool with
a caregiver

Enjoy the library's interactive floor projection games
while practicing teamwork and turn taking.

Wednesdays from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.
January 17
February 21

FAMILY ART PARTY

for children ages three and up
with a caregiver

Get creative using different art media.
Art can get messy, so dress appropriately!

Fridays from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
January 12
February 16
March 29

SUPER SATURDAY

for families

Join us for fun-filled activities for
children and their family.

Saturdays from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.
February 3
March 2
April 6

CODING CLUB

for grades 3-5

Work on coding tutorials and projects
at the library.

Mondays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
January 29
February 26

FEBRUARY

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TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY

Saturday, February 3
All Day in the Children's Department

Visit the Children's Department for the ultimate family library day experience. Participate in contests, activities, and get prizes (while supplies last). Dress up like your favorite book character to be entered in a prize drawing. Registration is not required.

FOR ADULTS

ALL LEVELS YOGA

January 13, February 10, March 9, April 13,
May 11 at 11 a.m.

Registration is open.

Come join us at the library for an all-levels yoga practice with yoga instructor Kristie Leahy Comsia. Yoga mat not supplied.

FAMILY YOGA

January 27, February 24, March 30, April 20 at 2 p.m.

Registration is open.

Join us for family yoga at the library with instructor Kristie Leahy Comsia. Yoga mat not supplied.

FAMILY CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Second Mondays from 6 to 7 p.m.

January 8, February 12, March 11, April 8, May 13

Third Tuesdays from 1 to 2 p.m.

January 16, February 20, March 19, April 16, May 21

Registration is open.

As a caregiver, it's easy to feel overwhelmed and isolated. Knowing where to turn to for help can feel impossible. Get resources that will help alleviate some of that stress, connect with family caregivers who are in similar situations and find the support you deserve.

NCPL FILM CLUB

Third Thursdays from 6 to 7 p.m.

Join us for our "watch first, meet later" film club. Each month, we'll watch a movie that is available through our Kanopy or Hoopla streaming services and meet in person to discuss it. Ages 14 and up are welcome. Films are subject to change.

January 18: *C'mon, C'mon*

February 15: *Rashomon*

March 21: *Minari*

April 18: *Force Majeure*

May 16: *Tokyo Story*



NORTH CANTON WRITER'S GROUP

Fourth Mondays from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

January 22, February 26, March 25, April 22

Have you always wanted to write? Do you have a great idea but don't know where to start? Have you self-published a book but don't know what to do next? Then this group is for you! Led by author Lana Wayne Koehler, we use exercises and class participation to learn writing techniques that will help you be the writer of your dreams.

Newcomers are welcome; begin attending at any time.



TAX PREPARATION WITH UNITED WAY VITA

Make an appointment with VITA to have your federal and state tax return (city income tax prep is NOT available) prepared and e-filed by the United Way of Greater Stark County's IRS trained and certified volunteers for **FREE**. Contact the United Way at 330.491.0445 for more information about the VITA program.

Drop-Off Clinics

- Tuesday, February 6 from 1 to 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 20 from 1 to 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 5 from 1 to 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 19 from 1 to 7 p.m.

Pick-Up Only Clinic

- Tuesday, April 9 from 3 to 7 p.m.

BALLROOM DANCE INSTRUCTION

Wednesday, February 14 from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, February 5 at 10 a.m.

Looking for a fun Valentine's Day activity? Teachers from Rachel and Jonathan Ballroom Dance Instruction in Canton will be visiting our library to show us the basics of ballroom dancing, including rumba, waltz and foxtrot dances. Couples and individuals are invited to register for this free 90-minute dance session. Must be registered to attend; please register each person individually.

BUILD YOUR CAT A CASTLE

Saturday, February 17 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Come use our supplies and your imagination to build your cat (or other small pet) a fun cardboard castle! Families and adults are welcome.



Maker programs for adults and teens on page 10-11!

WHAT IS AI AND CHATGPT?

Monday, March 27 at 6 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, March 18 at 10 a.m.

More and more, AI is in the news and part of our lives—probably more than you realize. Come learn an introduction to AI: what it is, how it works and what is still just science-fiction. This project was made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the State Library of Ohio.

LEARN ORIGAMI

Wednesday, April 10 at 5 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, April 1 at 10 a.m.

Origami comes from two Japanese words, ori, meaning “fold,” and kami, meaning “paper.” It is the Japanese art of folding paper into shapes representing objects. This presentation will review basic Origami folds and focus on turning dollar bills into unique Origami gifts. Those attending are encouraged to bring crisp dollar bills to fold into amazing designs.



CONTAINER GARDENING: A BEGINNER'S GUIDE

Thursday, April 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, April 1 at 10 a.m.

You don't think you have room to grow your own veggies or flowers? Think again! Join the North Canton Community Garden folks and learn how to grow in small spaces.



CLOTHESPIN DRAGONFLY

Tuesday, April 23 at 6 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, April 15 at 10 a.m.

Learn how to create a colorful and sparkly clothespin dragonfly that is perfect to brighten any room!



HOUSE PLANT SWAP

Saturday, April 27, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Join us for a houseplant exchange! Community members can drop off a plant they no longer want, share cuttings of their own, or trade with others.

FLOW FARMACY: MAKING LOOSE LEAF TEAS

Tuesday, May 7, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, April 29 at 10 a.m.

Learn about the benefits of loose leaf tea with Flow Farmacy and make your own tea bags! The program will also include a short presentation on how to brew loose leaf tea and why local farms matter. Registration is required.

TECH HELP

Wednesdays from 1 to 4:30 p.m.

Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Book a 30-minute or 1-hour long session with our tech trainers. Bring your device along and work one-on-one with a staff member who can help guide you in your tech questions. Be sure to call ahead to book in advance: 330.499.4712 x311.

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2024 THE YEAR OF READING CHALLENGE



January through December 2024 on Beanstack

Adults: Register with Beanstack to participate in our yearlong reading challenge. (If you signed up with Beanstack for Summer Reading or did the Year of Reading Challenge previously, you've already got an account for this!) Each month there will be a chance to win a gift card, and at the end of the year, one person will win a book lover's basket. It's never too late to register!

MONTHLY THEMES

January:
Resolutions and Goal Setting

February:
United States Presidents

March:
Women's History Month

April:
Autism Awareness Month

May:
Jewish American Heritage Month



Scan to download the
Beanstack app

MAKER PROGRAMS

FOR AGES 12 THROUGH ADULT



LEARNING FROM VIDEOS: INTRODUCTION TO BOOKBINDING

(virtual program with kit)

Wednesday, January 17 at 6 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, January 8 at 10 a.m.

Let's learn bookbinding through Youtube! We will also show various tips and tricks to learn more easily from online sources such as Youtube, from close-caption to slowing a video down. Ages 12 and up are welcome. Please include your email when registering so we can let you know when the kits are ready and share the virtual class content with you.

MAKE YOUR OWN SEWING KIT (virtual program with kit)

Thursday, January 25 at 6 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, January 15 at 10 a.m.

We will provide the materials to create a compact, hand-sewn sewing kit: from pin cushions to pin cleaners, thimbles and more. Ages 12 and up are welcome. Please include your email when registering so we can let you know when the kits are ready and share the virtual class content with you.

CRICUT: INSPIRATIONAL WINDOW CLING

(virtual program with kit)

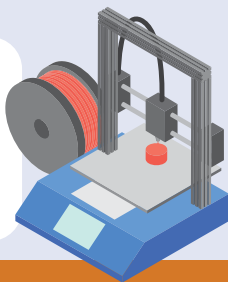
Wednesday, February 7 at 6 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, January 29 at 10 a.m.

Get your materials from the library and use our Cricut to design and create an inspirational window cling. You'll learn at your own pace with support of recorded materials. Ages 12 and up are welcome. Please include your email when registering so we can let you know when the kits are ready and share the virtual class content with you.



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KNIT WITS: A NEEDLE-POINT CLUB

Mondays, February 19, March 18, April 15 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Registration begins the Monday before the program at 10 a.m.

Have you always wanted to learn to knit? Do you cross-stitch or crochet? Join our club and bring your needles! We can show you how to knit, or you can bring your own craft of choice to work on. We'll also feature a new needle point book each month. Ages 12 and up are welcome.

3D PRINT DESIGN: DECORATIVE EGGS

Thursday, March 7 at 6 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, February 26 at 10 a.m.

We'll show you how to design a decorative egg using Tinkercad. No previous experience with 3D design is necessary. Your 3D print will be ready for pickup one to two weeks after each class. Ages 12 and up are welcome.

LEPRECHAUN GNOME TERRA COTTA POT

(virtual program with kit)

Monday, March 11 at 10 a.m.

Registration begins Monday, February 25 at 10 a.m.

Get your kit of supplies any time the library is open, and make a leprechaun gnome with us. You'll be painting and making a pom-pom as part of this activity. Ages 12 and up are welcome to register. Kit pickup starts Monday, March 11 at 10 a.m.

PYSANKY-UKRAINIAN EASTER EGG DECORATING

Saturday, March 23 at 1, 2 or 3 p.m. (choose one time)

Registration begins Monday, March 11 at 10 a.m.

Known as pysanky, these Ukrainian Easter eggs are decorated using the wax-resist (batik) method. Supplies and tools will be provided. Bring your own hard-boiled egg(s). Please register for one session only. Ages 12 and up are welcome.

BOOK CLUBS

FIRST MONDAY BOOK CHAT

First Monday of each month at 2 p.m.

Enjoy a variety of genres throughout the year.

January 8: *The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post* by Allison Pataki (Historical Fiction)

February 5: *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt (Fiction)

March 4: *The Measure* by Nikki Erlick (Science Fiction)

April 1: *Dust Child* by Nguyen Phan Que Mai (Historical Fiction)

May 6: *None of This is True* by Lisa Jewell (Mystery)

READABLE HISTORY BOOK DISCUSSION

Second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Join in person or register to join on Zoom. A link to the Zoom meeting will be emailed by 5 p.m. the night of the discussion.

January 9: *Valiant Women: The Extraordinary American Servicewomen Who Helped Win World War II* by Lena S. Andrews

February 13: *Washington's Farewell: The Founding Father's Warning to Future Generations* by John P. Avlon

March 12: *Countdown to 1945: The Extraordinary Story of the Atomic Bomb and the 116 Days That Changed the World* by Chris Wallace

April 9: *The Facemaker: A Visionary Surgeon's Battle to Mend the Disfigured Soldiers of World War I* by Lindsey Fitzharris

May 14: *The Six: The Untold Story of America's First Women Astronauts* by Loren Grush

FOR TEENS

3D PRINT DESIGN: JEWELRY

Wednesday, April 24 at 6 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, April 15 at 10 a.m.

We'll show you how to design your own jewelry using Tinkercad. No previous experience with 3D design is necessary. Your 3D print will be ready for pickup one to two weeks after each class. Ages 12 and up are welcome.

BATH SALT JARS

Thursday, April 25 from 5 to 5:45 p.m. OR 6 to 6:45 p.m. (choose one time)

Registration begins Monday, April 15 at 10 a.m.

Make a beautiful jar of scented bath salts as a special treat for yourself or as a gift for a friend. The library will supply all materials. Ages 12 and up are welcome in this program.

CRICUT CUTOUTS WITH RAINWORKS SPRAY

Wednesday, May 8 from 5 to 5:55 p.m.

OR 6 to 6:55 p.m. (choose one time)

Registration begins Monday, April 29 at 10 a.m.

Create a fun design and use Rainworks spray to "sketch" your design into the sidewalk! Rainworks spray will last 3-6 weeks and will leave a positive message on the sidewalk every time it rains! The library will supply all materials needed. Ages 12 and up are welcome. Registration is required.

3D PEN DESIGNS: SURFBOARD

Wednesday, May 22 from 5 to 5:55 p.m.

OR 6 to 6:55 p.m. (choose one time)

Registration begins Monday, May 13 at 10 a.m.

Create a miniature surfboard using the library's 3D pens. Ages 12 and up are welcome.

TEEN MONDAYS

Second Mondays at 3:30 p.m.

Registration begins at 10 a.m. the Monday before each program.

January 8: 3D Print Design: Jewelry

February 12: Valentine Slime

March 11: Succulent Care and Propagation with Take-Home Planter with Justin Lepley, founder of Lepley & Co. - the plant and florist shop! Learn to propagate succulents and go home with your very own planter! Even better, you will learn the best way to keep them alive and thriving for years to come.

April 8: **Entrepreneurship:** Learn About Starting Your Own Business with Justin Lepley, founder of Lepley & Co., who will provide a reflection on the growth and struggles of his own business, from a roadside plant stand, to a thriving enterprise with three locations. Join us to learn the ins and outs of starting a business.

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION NIGHT

for teens and/or their families

Wednesday, January 31 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Registration is open.

Walsh University is hosting a financial aid night for all local students and parents to learn more about the process of applying for financial aid for college! The FAFSA for the 2024/2025 school year has changed and we are here to help. Join us for a presentation about financial aid, Q&A sessions, and time to meet with representatives from Walsh who will be there to answer all your questions about admissions and financial aid!

TEEN VOLUNTEER DAYS

Mondays, February 5, March 4 and April 1 at 3:30 p.m.

Help with special projects at the library all year round. Get volunteer credit hours for attending meetings and events. Contact Tori or Missy at 330.499.4712 x311 with any questions.

TEEN MAKER PROM

Wednesday, April 17, 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Registration begins Monday, April 8 at 10 a.m.

Bling out your prom! Join us to use the library's MakerSpace materials to make your prom outfit truly unique. Bring your own shoes and accessories to jazz up or create your own boutonniere and/or corsage.

Limited copies of all our book club books will be available for pick up at the library. Limited copies of the ebook and e-audio will also be available on Libby and/or Hoopla. New members are always welcome!

TRUE CRIME BOOK CLUB

Third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

January 16: *American Predator: The Hunt for the Most Meticulous Serial Killer of the 21st Century* by Maureen Callahan

February 20: *Truevine* by Beth Macy

March 19: *The Good Nurse: A True Story of Medicine, Madness, and Murder* by Charles Graeber

April 16: *The Feather Thief* by Kirk W. Johnson

May 21: *Little, Crazy Children: A True Crime Tragedy* by James Renner

CLASSIC LIT BOOK CLUB

Third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

January 17: *The Collected Stories of Eudora Welty* by Eudora Welty

February 21: *Death Comes for the Archbishop* by Willa Cather

March 20: *Dubliners* by James Joyce

April 17: *The Complete Poems of Emily Dickinson* by Emily Dickinson

May 15: *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury



SENIOR PROGRAMMING

North Canton Civic Center, 845 W Maple Street

Stay connected. Stay healthy. Age well.

Join us Tuesdays and Thursdays for this collaboration between the **North Canton Public Library** and the **City of North Canton** that provides free programming targeted to our city's older adults each week.

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

10 to 11 a.m. Gentle Fitness Class (see schedule for program details)
11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. . . . Coffee Break
12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Varied Programming (see schedule for program details)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

10 a.m. Yoga with Karen
12:30 p.m. Warm Up! Brew Better
Coffee at Home with M&H Beans

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. The Power of Habits with
Jaime Palinchak from The Whole Plate

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. We're playing Bingo!

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Special Program with our
Friends from Walsh University

SPECIAL OFF-SITE COLLABORATION

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 FROM 2 TO 4 P.M.

Senior Sock Hop at the North Canton
YMCA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Book Club: *The Cider Shop*
Rules by Julie Anne Lindsey

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Wire Bracelets Craft with
The Creation Station

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Potluck Party

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Gerald Harris returns!

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Floral Arranging using Foam
with Lepley & Co.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. How to Organize,
Preserve, Protect, and Store your Letters
and Photographs

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

10 a.m. Yoga with Karen
12:30 p.m. Making Healthy Snacks with
Jaime Palinchak from The Whole Plate

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Special Program with our
Friends from Walsh University

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. We're playing Bingo!

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2023

NO PROGRAMS: ELECTION DAY

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Book Club: *The Best We
Could Do* by Thi Bui

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Meet Your Independent
Bookstore: Books, Community and
Competing in an Amazon World
with Lorraine Wilburn from Little
Sparrow Bookshop

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Potluck Party

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Spring Painting Activity with
The Creation Station

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

10 a.m. Yoga with Karen
12:30 p.m. Northeast Ohio's Total Solar
Eclipse presented by Carl Quatraro

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

10 a.m. Tai Ji Quan
12:30 p.m. Plants of Alaska presented by
Jennifer Clevinger, Professor of Biology at
Walsh University

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. We're playing Bingo!

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

10 a.m. Fit & Fabulous with the North
Canton YMCA
12:30 p.m. Understanding Inflammation
with Jaime Palinchak from The Whole
Plate

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. Book Club: Title TBD

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

10 a.m. Fit & Fabulous with the North
Canton YMCA
12:30 p.m. Everyone has a green
thumb: the many benefits of plants and
how to choose the best one for your
home presented by Three Green
Thumbs Greenhouse

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. Potluck Party

**Wednesday, February 14
from 2 to 4 p.m.
at the North Canton YMCA.**

Call 330.499.2587 to register
for this YMCA program that is being
offered with support from the North
Canton Public Library.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

10 a.m. Fit & Fabulous with the North
Canton YMCA
12:30 p.m. Local Legends and
Lore, Murders, Mysteries, and More in
Stark County

THURSDAY, MAY 2

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. Game Day!

TUESDAY, MAY 7

10 a.m. Fit & Fabulous with the North
Canton YMCA
12:30 p.m. North Canton Parks &
Recreation: An Insider's Look with
Catherine Farina (our very own park
passionate Leslie Knope)

THURSDAY, MAY 9

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. We're playing Bingo!

TUESDAY, MAY 14

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. Special Program with our
Friends from Walsh University



THURSDAY, MAY 16

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. Book Club: Title TBD

TUESDAY, MAY 21

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. We're having a picnic in
Price Park!

THURSDAY, MAY 23

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. Design a Wreath and Custom
Bow with Lepley & Co.

TUESDAY, MAY 28

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. Supporting the NCPL: How
the Friends of the Library Book Sales Work

THURSDAY, MAY 30

10 a.m. Gentle Fitness TBD
12:30 p.m. Potluck Party

DIGITAL MATERIALS AND RESOURCES



Libby.

eBooks, audio, and digital magazines in the collection are downloadable in a variety of formats for a number of different devices



eBooks, movies, TV, music, audiobooks, and comics are available on hoopla digital

SCHOLASTIC
Teachables

Online database of tens of thousands of searchable and printable educational materials

LinkedIn Learning

Courses for all levels covering technical skills, creative techniques, business strategies, and more

kanopy

Access to films that feature diversity, with a wide array of foreign language films and films on race and current affairs

KOVELS

Kovels is the go-to source for expert information, pricing, and trends on antiques and collectibles. Find it in the Libby app. Download the free app, add our library, and look for "Extras" to get started!



HOW IT WORKS:

Items check out for 14 days. A maximum of two Tool Box items may be borrowed per library card. Tool Box items may be checked out on adult library cards only.

TECH TOOLS

Kodak Slide N Scan Digital Film Scanner
PhoneSoap 3 UV Sanitizer and Charger*
Pioneer Slim CD/DVD/BD Writer
Ring Light
Webcam
Microphone Set
Samsung Ultra Thin DVD Writer
Air Quality Monitor
Innova Diagnostic Scan/Car Code Reader
Kill A Watt Electricity Usage Monitor
Radio and Cassette to MP3 Converter
Portable 10.5" DVD Player
Canon Powershot Camera
Radon Detector
Sony Handycam
Thermal Leak Detector
iFixit Pro Tech Toolkit
Epson Multimedia Projector
Battery Tester
Desktop CO2 Monitor
MiPosaur Robot

Nomad USB Portable Turntable
Yamaha Digital Keyboard
CD Player
Metal Detector
Kodak Reels Converter

HEALTH TOOLS

Fingertip Pulse Oximeter
Blood Pressure Monitor
Sensory Bag and Weighted Lap Pad*

MAKER TOOLS

Sewing Machine
Cricut Joy
Cricut EasyPress
Cricut EasyPress Mini
Cricut Joy Press
3D Pen
Needle Felting Kit
Round Loom
Punch Needle Set
Flower Loom

Crochet Hook Set
Zoom Loom
Pom Pom Maker
Hot Glue Gun
Crop-A-Dile Hole Punch

TRADITIONAL TOOLS

Level
Random Orbit Sander, 5 inch
Stanley 12-Inch Adjustable Wrench
Laminate and Wood Floor Installation Kit
Digital Laser Thermal Thermometer
Dremel Variable Speed Rotary Tool Kit
20-Volt MAX Lithium-Ion Cordless Drill
Stay Sharp EAB Laminate Floor Cutter
Pipe Wrench
Craftsman Clamping Miter Box
Precision Stud Finder
Hacksaw (12 in.)
Hex Key Wrench Set
Plumber's Tool Box
Irwin Vise-Grip Locking Pliers

Magnetic Stud Finder
Rexbeti Gel Knee Pads
COB Work Light/ Flood Light
Shoulder Dolly Moving Straps
Pistol Grip Bull Nose Pliers
Staple Gun

OUTDOOR GAMES & TOOLS

GoSports Giant 4 in a Row
Kan Jam Portable Disc Slam
Ladder Golf
Spikeball
Murbles
Sled
Pickleball Set
Maneuverability Cone Set
Life Jacket

VIDEO GAME SYSTEM

Nintendo Switch

*In library use only.



IN THE GALLERY



the little art gallery

ART FROM THE CLASSROOM

PRIMARY AND PRESCHOOL EXHIBIT (NCCS and St. Paul's)

Opening Reception: February 8 from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

Exhibit on Display: February 8 through February 18

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL EXHIBIT (NCCS and St. Paul's)

Opening Reception: February 22 from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

Exhibit on Display: February 22 through March 3

MIDDLE SCHOOL EXHIBIT (NCCS and St. Paul's)

Opening Reception: March 7 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Exhibit on Display: March 7 through March 17

NORTH CANTON HOOVER HIGH SCHOOL EXHIBIT

Opening reception: March 21 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Exhibit on Display: March 21 through April 7

Art from the Classroom exemplifies the importance of, and commitment to, visual artistic education in North Canton. The Little Art Gallery is proud to play a role in furthering this dedication by highlighting the creative talents of the children in the community.

Entry forms are available online and in the Gallery and Library.

Exhibit on Display: April 29 through June 29

The call for entries is open to any artist 16 years of age or older living or working in Stark County. Artists may submit up to five pieces of artwork for consideration. All works submitted must be original, recent (within the past three years) and not previously exhibited in a Little Art Gallery show. All media will be accepted. Entries will be accepted February 1 through March 31, 2024.

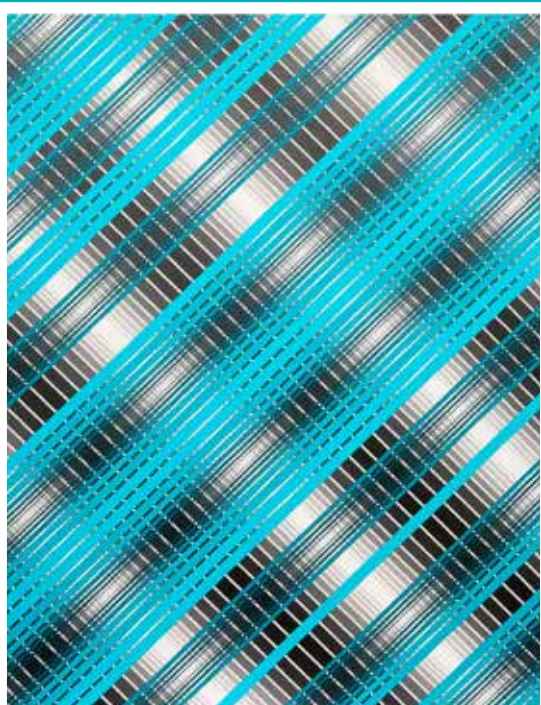
NEW ACQUISITION INTO OUR PERMANENT COLLECTION

ARTIST: DAVID KUNTZMAN TITLE: HERITAGE SERIES 2022-01

ARTIST STATEMENT: *I have always been intrigued by artworks of the Op Art style, specifically the works of Julian Stanczak, Victor Vasarely, and more recently, Susie Rosmarin.*

My earliest paintings were investigations of those styles – attempts to recreate the retinal experience with results of vibrations, movements, blur, and after-images. My work focused on comparisons of various color progressions, supported by my use of rigid and methodical gridworks.

At present, in addition to the "Op" artists, my influences include Frank Stella (specifically the "plane" paintings of the early to mid 1970's) and Liubov Popova of the "Constructivist" movement. As such, my artworks have evolved into presentations of various grid comparisons, such as grids of different sizes, angles, and colors. The color progressions are now being used to present the contrasting gridworks creating a dense and ambiguous space.



BORROW AT NCPL

COMMUNITY EXPLORATION PROGRAM

Ready.

Reserve.

GO!

Let the Library help you explore some of the best experiences in our community!
PLACE A HOLD ON A FAMILY PASS TO VISIT ONE OF THESE:



Visit ncantonlibrary.com/community-exploration-program to schedule your hold.

NORTH CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY: STRATEGIC PLAN 2023-2026

WHO WE ARE:

OUR MISSION:

The North Canton Public Library provides access to diverse educational, informational, and recreational materials, programs, and services in support of lifelong learning and enjoyment for all.

OUR VISION:

The North Canton Public Library will be a catalyst of inspiration for the community.

OUR CORE VALUES:

Service-Focused

We provide dependable and expert service to all with kindness, integrity, and respect. We create an environment of trust, comfort, and inclusion for staff and patrons alike.

Community-Oriented

We are an engaged community partner committed to working toward the empowerment and growth of all community members.

Inspiring

We encourage curiosity and innovation by offering a wide range of opportunities that increase learning, exploration, and knowledge.

Accessible

We adapt to changing patron needs in order to remain physically and virtually approachable and convenient for all.

north canton public library



WHAT WE'LL DO:

01

WE WILL CREATE THE ULTIMATE CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE.

Outcome: Customers are welcomed and immediately feel comfortable upon entering the Library. Sight lines are clear, signage is helpful, and the interior and exterior environment is visually pleasing and easy to navigate. Staff are viewed as knowledgeable, professional, motivated, and kind. The virtual environment is intuitive, embraces current technology, and produces expected results.

02

WE WILL ENHANCE FUNCTIONALITY AND ACCESSIBILITY IN OUR BUILDING.

Outcome: The Library's public spaces are current, meet changing community needs and accessibility standards, and provide flexibility for the future. Staff work spaces support efficiency and productivity and ensure staff success. Building changes are well documented and provide a heightened sense of safety and security.

03

WE WILL BUILD COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS AND ENGAGEMENT.

Outcome: The Library actively seeks partnerships with community organizations to engage and benefit community members. Library sponsors and partners are widely acknowledged for their support and partnerships serve to increase community impact for all involved.

04

WE WILL SEEK NEW AVENUES FOR FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY.

Outcome: The Library increases its financial resources by taking advantage of applicable grant opportunities. Library staff are knowledgeable of the Library's budget process and act as effective stewards of their resources. Community members are aware of the many ways in which they are able to directly support the Library.

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

The library is full of free resources for you and your family!

SKILL BUILDING KITS

These kits are available by request to help parents assist children in improving academic skills in the following areas:

LITERACY

Hooked on Phonics
Reading Center kits
Reading Rocket kits
Flash cards

MATH

Hooked on Math
Math Center kits
Flash cards

SCIENCE

Hands-on models
Large magnetic life cycles and science concepts
Interactive activities to take home

SOCIAL STUDIES

Puzzles
Flannel board activities

BOOKS, OF COURSE

Our collection includes:
Concept books
Beginner books (including Leap Frog Tag Readers)
Easy biographies
Nonfiction books for all levels
Graphic novels for reluctant readers
Parent/Teacher books on many subjects
. . . and more!

BEYOND BOOKS

Launchpads - preloaded learning tablets
Playaway Views - all-in-one video player that makes educational programming accessible in a simple, portable and durable format
Educational DVDs, video games, and magazines
Flannel board activities
Themed Activity Kits (TAKits)
Audiobooks
Vox books and Wonder books
Games and puzzles
Activity cards
Tonies

Questions? Need more information?

Contact our Children's Department

phone: 330.499.4712 x318 | email: childrensstaff@northcantonlibrary.org

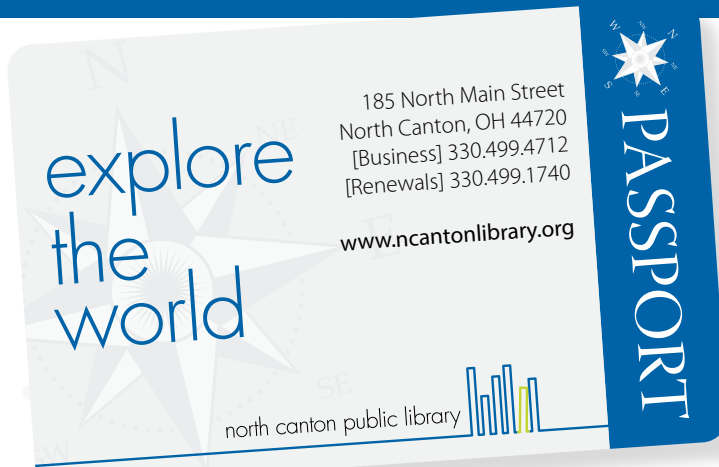


ONGOING CHALLENGE FOR AGES BIRTH TO FIVE

One thousand books? That seems like way too many, right? Not at all. It doesn't matter if your child is three, or just three months - there is no better time to start than now! Reading helps build social and emotional skills, sparks creativity and imagination, promotes bonding, and helps kids do well overall in school. The goal is to make reading aloud with your child part of your daily routine. Hit a milestone and come into the library to take a photo with our photo frame! Get started by visiting beanstack.org!



YOUR LIBRARY CARD



a passport to explore the world

Your library card gives you access to a world of information at NCPL. Use it at the library during open hours. Use it on our website or app after hours. Our world is always available in one form or another.

GET A CARD

1. Complete our brief application online.
2. Bring a Driver's License or State I.D. with your current address to the Patron Services Desk at the library. If you don't have your current address on your I.D., you will need to bring a form with your name and new address on it, such as a utility bill, insurance notification or lease agreement.
3. Your card will be ready in minutes and you may check items out the same day.

TEACHERS

Teacher library cards allow up to 100 children's books to be checked out at any time for six weeks with one two-week renewal available. Teacher privileges apply only to children's books for classroom use. Other library materials including audiobooks, music CDs, kits, electronic devices, and DVDs must be checked out using a general patron library card. As with all library cards, overdue items will be charged a late fee and full price will be charged for lost or damaged items. We strive to assist North Canton Public Schools' educators and homeschoolers. Visit the Children's Department for information on the many special services we offer.

GOLDEN BUCKEYE CARD HOLDERS

Patrons of any age who have a Golden Buckeye Card qualify for fine free status. Simply show us your card one time, and we will change the status of your account to be fine free. Golden Buckeye Card holders continue to receive notices about late items and will still be charged replacement costs if materials are lost or damaged.

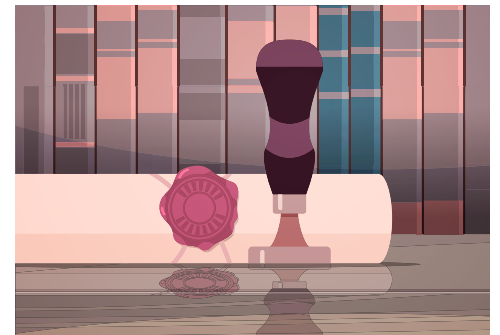
CHILDREN 17 AND UNDER

Children are eligible for their own library cards. Parents must be present with children visiting the Library and must agree to comply with library rules and regulations, pay all fines and fees, and make good any loss or damage incurred to materials borrowed on their child's card.



PASSPORT SERVICE

North Canton residents looking to travel abroad can apply for passports at the library. Passport services are available by reservation only. Please call 330.499.4712 x311 to schedule your passport appointment.



NOTARY SERVICES

The North Canton Public Library is pleased to offer free basic Notary services for the benefit of the residents of our community. Notary services are available by appointment only. Please call 330.499.4712 x310 to make an appointment.

BORROWING ITEMS

Material	How Many Can Be Borrowed/Card	Loan Period	Renewals Available	Fines
Books	100	14 days	7	\$0.10/day
CDs	15	14 days	7	\$0.10/day
DVDs	15	7 days	3	\$0.25/day
Audiobooks	25	14 days	7	\$0.10/day
Playaways	20	14 days	7	\$0.10/day
Playaway Views	1	7 days	1	\$0.50/day
Playaway Launchpads	1	7 days	1	\$0.50/day
Magazines	50	14 days	1	\$0.10/day
Video Games (adult)	2	14 days	1	\$0.50/day
Video Games (children's)	3	14 days	1	\$0.50/day
Video Game Figures	2	14 days	1	\$0.50/day
Telescope	1	14 days	0	\$5.00/day
Tool Box Items	2	14 days	0	\$1.00/day
Board Games/Puzzles	20	14 days	1	\$0.10/day
Pre-loaded eReaders	1	14 days	0	\$1.00/day
Hotspots	1	7 days	0	\$5.00/day
American Girl Doll	1	7 days	0	\$0.50/day
YA Board Games	3	14 days	1	\$0.50/day
Toniebox or Tonies Case	1	14 days	0	\$0.50/day

RENEWALS

Any library item checked out from the North Canton Public Library will be automatically renewed unless one of the following circumstances prevents renewal.

Items Will Not Be Renewed If:

- Another customer places a request on that item.
- The item has reached its maximum number of renewals.
- Fines on the account have reached \$10.
- Your account activity has been blocked.
- The item is a digital eMaterial.
- The item is from another library.

Renewing Items on Your Own

Use our account phone line at 330.499.1740 or visit the account page on our website or app to renew your items. If you have a problem renewing your items, contact us at 330.499.4712 x310. Items that are reserved for another patron will not renew.

RETURNING ITEMS

Library items should be returned in the outdoor book drops (unless otherwise marked). Dropping items in the drop box outside does not ensure they will be checked in the same day, depending on scheduled times for emptying the bins.

We are an independent library, and are not affiliated with Akron-Summit or Stark County library systems.

Please return only North Canton Public Library materials to our library.

The world is here for you, just waiting to be explored.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.

The library is closed Sundays Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend

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HELP!



The Friends of the Library need your donations of used adult fiction and non-fiction books. Donations can be delivered any time the library is open.

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