

### Real Life University (and College!) Fair

Want to know what the schools are REALLY like? Come to our Real Life Fair to speak with current students, learn more about your choices, and get the scoop on the realities of residence life, professors & programs, cafeterias & food plans, the registration process and much more! Complete details will be available in the teen section of our website as schools and programs are confirmed.

**Age:** 14 Y - 18 Y      **FREE** /Drop-in

#### Central Branch

Sat/Feb 25      1:00pm - 4:00pm

*For more information, please contact Elise at [ecole@oakville.ca](mailto:ecole@oakville.ca) or 905-815-2042 ext 5037.*



### How-to-Draw Manga Characters Workshop for Teens

Svetlana Chmakova, author and artist of "Nightschool" Volumes 1-4 and "Dramacon" Volumes 1-3 will hold a workshop on the art of drawing manga characters. Limited to 25 students.

**Age:** 12 Y - 18 Y      **FREE** /1 class/Must Register

#### Central Branch

Sat/Mar 31      2:00pm - 4:00pm

*Register as of Mon, Feb 13, 2012 by calling Elise at 905-815-2042 ext 5037 or email at [ecole@oakville.ca](mailto:ecole@oakville.ca)*

### Teen Book Club - Mystery & Crime – FREE



The Teen Book Club is back and bigger and better than ever! The theme is Mystery & Crime and we've added an extra meeting so that there will be seven books to read, share and enjoy!

**Age:** 14 Y - 18 Y      **FREE**

**Central Branch Boardroom**      Mondays      7:30pm - 8:30pm

Book Club meetings will be held on the following Mondays:

**Fall Sessions:** October 17, November 14, December 12

**Winter Sessions:** January 9, February 6, March 5, April 2, May 7

*Registration is open to High School students only and will take place at the Information Night on Oct 17, 2011 at 7:30 in the Central Branch Auditorium.*

### March Break Teen Wii Gaming Tournament

Games will be announced in the teen section of our website prior to registration on January 30, 2012. Prizes will be awarded to the top three players on each day! Bring your driving skills, because MarioKart is the game of choice!

**Age:** 12 Y - 18 Y      **FREE** /1 class /Must Register by calling Elise at 905-815-2042 ext 5037 or email at [ecole@oakville.ca](mailto:ecole@oakville.ca)

#### Central Branch

Mon/Mar 12      2:00pm - 5:00pm  
Open to grades 7-9 (ages 12-14)

#### Central Branch

Tue/Mar 13      2:00pm - 5:00pm  
Open to grades 10-12 (ages 15-18)

OAKVILLE PLACE



This contest is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Oakville Public Library and Oakville Place Mall.

## Write2Xpress Contest 2011

Our Write2xpress contest is now in its 7th year! Open to students from Oakville or attending Oakville schools in grades 7-12. You could win for your interpretation of the photo at right through a short story, graphic novel or poem.

**You have from September 12 until October 24th to enter.** Winners will be announced at the Awards Night in November.

**Age:** 12 Y - 18 Y      **FREE** /Contest

See Teen section of our website for contest rules and more information.

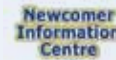


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## Partnership Programs



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Citizenship and Immigration Canada

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These workshops are presented in partnership with the Centre for Education and Training's Newcomer Information Centre. Register by telephone at 905-949-0049 ext 2412 or by email at [nicyouth@tcet.com](mailto:nicyouth@tcet.com). **Max number of participants is 25.**

### Strategies to Improve Your Grades

There are many steps you can take in order to improve your grades: changing your study habits, identifying your learning style, taking effective notes, talking to your teacher, getting rest and eating a balanced diet. This workshop is designed to help students understand various learning styles and effective note-taking skills.

**Age:** 13 Y - 18 Y      **FREE** /1 class

Central Branch Program Room 2

Thu/Nov 10      6:00pm - 8:00pm

Registration opens Sept 26/11

### Resume Workshop for Newcomer Youth

How can I write a resume when I don't have any work experience? Join this workshop and learn how to create a resume and highlighting key skills gained through school, volunteering and extra curriculum activities. The final result will be a resume you can use to apply for part-time and summer jobs!

**Age:** 13 Y - 18 Y      **FREE** /1 class

Central Branch Auditorium

Thu/Feb 9      5:30pm - 8:30pm

Registration opens Dec 27/11

We will be offering **Youth Online (YO!) presentations** at the library to help students in grades 7 -12 **learn how to use our online resources** easily and effectively. Sessions are available throughout the school year and dates will be posted on the teen section of our website in September. To book YO! presentations for your classroom contact Elise at [ecole@oakville.ca](mailto:ecole@oakville.ca) or by telephone at 905-815-2042, ext. 5037.



For any questions regarding newcomers' programs please call Lila Saab at 905-815-2039 ext 3596.

## Halton Multicultural Council Partnership



**Halton  
Multicultural Council**

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### ESL Family Sessions

This unique program is for both newcomer parents and their school age children (grades 1 to 6). Newcomers will attend 6 weekly sessions to enhance their public speaking skills, which will in turn help them improve their job prospects in Canada. In an adjoining room, their children will receive homework help for math, reading and writing. This is also a wonderful opportunity to experience all that the White Oaks Branch has to offer!

**Age:** 18 Y and up      **FREE** /6 weeks

#### White Oaks Branch

Thu/Sep 15      6:30pm - 8:00pm

#### White Oaks Branch

Thu/Feb 9      6:30pm - 8:00pm

To register call HMC at 905-842-2486 ext. 241

### Introduction to Computers for Live-in Caregivers

Hands-on workshops that will help live-in caregivers improve their computer literacy skills. Basic instructions include typing, internet browsing, email, excel and PowerPoint. A tour of the library is included.

**Age:** 18 Y and up      **FREE** /8 classes

#### Central Branch

Sat/Sep 17      10:00am - 12:00pm

#### Central Branch

Sat/Jan 14      10:00am - 12:00pm

To register call HMC at 905-842-2486 ext. 241

## Newcomers' Programs



### Hiring a Live-in Caregiver

Presenters from Citizenship and Immigration Canada and Service Canada will present the steps involved in hiring temporary foreign workers as live-in caregivers.

**Age:** 18 Y and up      **FREE**

#### Glen Abbey Branch

Mon/Sep 19      6:30pm - 8:30pm

To register call HMC at 905-842-2486 ext. 354

### Settlement Services and Citizenship Test Preparation

A Settlement Worker is available in the library every Monday to meet with newcomers. Information is provided on immigration, educational courses, employment, translations services and more. Assistance is also available with filling out citizenship forms and with preparing for the citizenship test.

**Age:** 18 Y and up      **FREE** /Drop-in

#### Glen Abbey Branch

Every Monday      On-going  
4:00pm - 8:30pm

This is a walk-in service, however, appointments can also be made by calling HMC at 905-842-2486 ext. 223.

### Newcomer Information Centre Partnership

To register call NIC 905-875-3851 ext. 5008.



#### Build Your Career in Canada

This session on job search strategies is aimed at newcomers, although everyone is welcome to attend. Topics include identifying and overcoming barriers to employment, assessing marketability skills, understanding the Canadian workplace culture, and identifying useful resources and services in the community.

**Age:** 18 Y and up **FREE**

##### Central Branch

Tue/Sep 20 7:00pm - 8:30pm

##### Iroquois Ridge Branch

Tue/Jan 24 7:00pm - 8:30pm

#### Immigration and Citizenship

Learn about new regulations, policies and procedures related to immigrating to Canada. Find out about sponsoring a family member, extending a work or study visa, how to become a permanent resident and how the provincial nominee program works.

**Age:** 18 Y and up **FREE**

##### Central Branch

Nov 22 7:00pm - 8:30pm

##### Central Branch

Mar 21 6:30pm - 8:00pm

#### Income Tax 101 for Newcomers

Introduction for newcomers about the Canadian income tax system. Topics include why you need to fill out the forms, an explanation of the various forms, what documents are needed, and individual versus business taxes. Includes a Question and Answer period.

**Age:** 18 Y and up **FREE**

##### Central Branch

Feb 28 6:15pm - 8:15pm

### The Centre Skills Development & Training Partnership



#### Newcomers Network

Newcomers to Canada and/or ESL learners meet in a relaxed library setting to improve their English conversation skills, plan social outings, and join together in becoming an important part of the Oakville community. Share stories, make new friends and discover what the library has to offer!

**Age:** 18 Y and up **FREE**

##### Glen Abbey Branch

Every Wednesday 7:00pm - 8:30pm

To register call The Centre at 905-693-8103 ext. 208.

#### Looking for a job?

Newcomers looking for work will enjoy this presentation by library staff on how the library's online resources can make their job search a lot easier. Although aimed at newcomers, everyone is welcome to attend.

**Age:** 18 Y and up **FREE**/1 class

##### Central Branch

Thu/Oct 20 6:30pm - 8:30pm

To register call Glen Abbey Branch at 905-815-2039.



### Genealogy Online

Interested in researching your family roots? This workshop will introduce you to *Ancestry Library Edition* and other online resources to help get you started.

**Age:** 16 Y and up      **FREE** /1 class

Central Branch	<b>Course Code:</b> 157004
Wed/Oct 19	2:00pm - 3:30pm
Central Branch	<b>Course Code:</b> 157003
Thu/Nov 17	2:00pm - 3:30pm
Central Branch	<b>Course Code:</b> 156998
Wed/Jan 18	2:00pm - 3:30pm
Central Branch	<b>Course Code:</b> 156997
Thu/Mar 22	2:00pm - 3:30pm
Iroquois Ridge Branch	<b>Course Code:</b> 156999
Thu/Feb 16	2:00pm - 3:30pm

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### Researching the History of a House

Want to know the history of a house you live in or a house nearby? This lecture by professional genealogist, Ruth Blair guides you through the process of researching the history of older houses. This session will try to answer all your questions!

**Age:** 16 Y and up      **Cost:** \$5/1 class

Central Branch	<b>Course Code:</b> 156993
Sun/Oct 2	2:00pm - 3:30pm

### Telling Your Family's Story Through Scrapbooking

Join Lise Brake, Creative Memories Director, as she gives a presentation on how to preserve heritage pictures and stories for scrapbooks that can be enjoyed for generations. An overview of caring for your photos, getting organized and how to start will be given, as well as an introduction to two software programs, *Memory Manager* and *StoryBook Creator*.

**Age:** 16 Y and up      **Cost:** \$5/1 class

Central Branch	<b>Course Code:</b> 156976	Thu/Jan 26	7:00pm - 8:00pm
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### Writing Your Memoirs – It's Never Too Early To Start! Part One

It's never too early to start writing the highlights of your life. Nora Zylstra-Savage of Storylines will conduct this hands-on introductory workshop where she will provide information on how to get organized and start your memoirs. Effective writing techniques and memory prompts will be explored and participants will write, share and receive feedback.

**Age:** 16 Y and up      **Cost:** \$25/1 class

Central Branch	<b>Course Code:</b> 156974
Sat/Oct 22	10:00am - 1:00pm

maximum number of participants is 20\*

### Writing Your Memoirs – It's Never Too Early to Start! Part Two

This hands-on workshop with Nora Zylstra-Savage of Storylines will build upon the introductory workshop (Part One). Upon completion of this workshop series, participants will be equipped with the necessary skills and information to continue writing their personal life stories.

**Age:** 16 Y and up      **Cost:** \$25/1 class

Central Branch	<b>Course Code:</b> 156973
Sat/Nov 19	10:00am - 1:00pm

maximum number of participants is 20\*

The library reserves the right to cancel these workshops if the minimum number of 15 participants is not reached by one week prior to the program.

### Online Resources for Distance Learners

Join us as we explore online academic resources available from the library to complement your distance education. This workshop focuses on searching information databases and using database tools for research and homework.

**Age:** 18 Y and up **FREE**/1 class

**Central Branch**

Mon/Oct 24 6:30pm - 8:30pm

**Central Branch**

Tue/Feb 28 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Call 905-815-2044 for more information or registration

### Social Media 101

Need help navigating the world of social media? Find out how Facebook, Twitter, and other social media sites can help you discover new ideas, keep in touch with friends and family, share photos and more!

**Age:** 16 Y and up **Cost:** \$20/1 class

**Iroquois Ridge Branch**

Wed/Oct 19 **Course Code:** 154165  
7:00pm - 9:00pm

**Iroquois Ridge Branch**

Mon/Feb 6 **Course Code:** 154166  
7:00pm - 9:00pm



### Book a Tech Coach

Team up with a volunteer tech coach for one-on-one technology help and training. This program is for beginner users. Topics covered in hour-long sessions, starting in October 2011, will include:

- Basic Web Browsing
- Getting Started with Windows
- Email / Manage Your Mail
- Audiobooks and eBooks at the Library
- Learn About Facebook, Twitter or YouTube
- Manage, Edit and Share Digital Photos Online

**Age:** 18 Y and up **FREE**

**Central Branch**

Call 905-815-2044 in the fall for more information

### Hands-on Technology Workshop

Learn about new technologies and how you can use them to bring the library to YOU. Try out an iPad, an iPod or an eReader, learn about uploading and sharing digital photos online, discover how to get the library's free eBooks and audiobooks direct to your computer or mobile device or try gaming on an entertainment system like the Wii.

**Age:** 18 Y and up **FREE**/1 class

**Central Branch**

Tue/Jan 24 6:30pm - 8:30pm

**Iroquois Ridge Branch**

Tue/Nov 29 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Call 905-815-2044 for more information or registration





**Celebrate Niagara Wine & Theatre with Jackie Maxwell**

Enjoy a glass of Niagara wine while Jackie Maxwell, Artistic Director of the Shaw Festival, regales us with behind the scenes tales from the world of theatre. Wine and appetizers included in the ticket price. Generously sponsored by Joseph's Estate Wines.

**Age:** 19 Y and up **Cost:** \$10/1 class

**Central Branch**

Fri/Feb 3 6:30pm - 9:00pm

*Tickets available online and at all branches Jan 7, 2012.*

**Open Book Club Night: The Help by Kathryn Stockett**

Join us to discuss good books with other book lovers. Facilitated by our super star team of librarians, space is limited, so register early!

**Age:** 16 Y and up **FREE**/1 class

**Central Branch**

Wed/Nov 23 7:00pm - 9:00pm

*Register by emailing jfarmer@oakville.ca*

**An Evening for Book Lovers**

The perfect event for book clubs planning their year, or for deciding what to read on your own. Enter for a chance to win the books discussed! Dessert and coffee are included in the ticket price, cash bar will be available. Generously sponsored by Paradiso Restaurant.

**Age:** 16 Y and up **Cost:** \$10/1 class

**Oakville Centre for the Performing Arts**

Tue/Sep 20 7:00pm - 9:00pm

*Tickets available online and at all branches August 27, 2011.*



**An Evening with Sylvia Tyson**

Join legendary Canadian singer/songwriter Sylvia Tyson, and experience the world of her first novel, *Joyner's Dream*. Dessert and coffee included.

**Age:** 16 Y and up **Cost:** \$10/1 class

**Central Branch**

Tue/Oct 25 7:00pm - 9:00pm

*Tickets available online and at all library branches September 24, 2011.*



**Adult Book Clubs**

Join one of our book clubs and experience discussions led by our team of knowledgeable librarians. Sessions run once a month from October to April, excluding December. Included in your registration fee is a ticket to *An Evening for Book Lovers*, at which you will have the chance to vote for some of the titles you'll read this season. Books are provided for borrowing. Schedule is as follows:

**Central Club\*\*** – 3rd Monday of the month **Glen Abbey Club** – 2nd Tuesday of the month

**Woodside Club\*** – 3rd Tuesday of the month

**Age:** 18 Y and up **Cost:** \$50/6 classes

**Central Branch**

Mon/Oct 17

**Course Code:** 156964

7:00pm - 8:30pm

**Glen Abbey Branch**

Tue/Oct 11

**Course Code:** 156966

7:00pm - 8:30pm

**Woodside Branch**

Tue/Oct 18

**Course Code:** 156965

1:00pm - 2:30pm

*\*Woodside Oct/Nov sessions will be held at Central Branch due to Woodside Branch closure.*

*\*\*Central February session, moved to 4th Monday due to Family Day Holiday*

