

Marigold Newsletter

November 2023



Marigold News

Kanopy Plus is Now Available

Kanopy Plus is now available for library users to access. Visit the eResources page on your website or the [Marigold website](#) to access Kanopy Plus, view the tutorial, and view the instructional brochure.

Libby users can also access Kanopy Plus on the Libby app. On the home screen, scroll down to the **Extras** section and click **Get Kanopy**.

Additionally, marketing materials are available in the **Shared Drive**.

You can request Kanopy Plus brochures through the [Marigold Printing Request](#) form.

Updated and new brochures include:

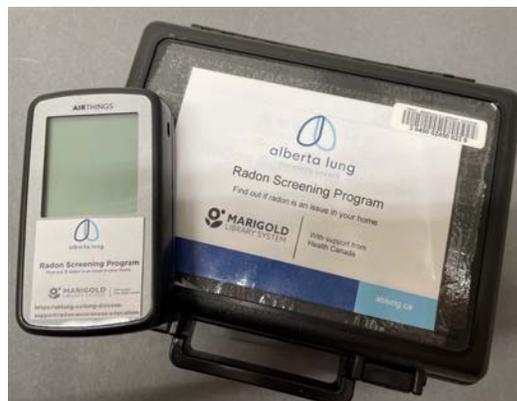
- Complete eResources List brochure
- Kanopy Plus brochure
- Your Library is Mobile bookmark



Radon Kits Are Now Available!

Marigold patrons can now place holds and check out one of our 18 Radon Kits for three weeks! These kits are available from October - April.

According to the Alberta Lung Association, radon is an invisible, odourless, and tasteless radioactive gas



which can get trapped in the home and the only way to detect it is to test for it. This is important as long-term exposure to high levels of radon can lead to lung cancer.

Patrons can test their home's radon levels and complete a short survey for a chance to win their own radon testing kit and some Alberta Lung swag! Alberta Lung will do a draw from each library system's surveys in April.

Although Marigold offers radon monitors for loan, the short checkout time provides patrons with just a snapshot of radon levels in their homes. For a more comprehensive assessment, it is advised that patrons follow up radon screening with a 90-day long-term test using a test kit. To promote this practice, Health Canada is initiating a discount code program starting this fall, allowing patrons to purchase a long-term radon detector at a reduced price until March 31, 2024. Contact [Kim](#) to get this discount code.

These kits were made available to Marigold Library System by a partnership with the Alberta Lung Association and with support from Health Canada.

More information can be found at <https://marigold.ab.ca/Public-Services/Radon-Screening-Kits>.

Table Top Prize Wheels

Let the prize wheel help you and your patrons have fun in the library. Create a game, use it for fundraising, or have the 50th person in the library that day spin for a book draw or a free fine day. The possibilities are endless if you use your creative mind.

To book your fun, please fill out the [Kits and Games Booking Request](#) form.

Just a reminder that the new round of StoryWalks started November 1st. Book now!

Submitted by Barb Froese
Library Services Assistant
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CBC Corner

CBC Corner is a free, digital portal offering library visitors an opportunity to discover the best Canadian shows, stories, and more.

CBC Corner access has been added to all Marigold member library websites, on the [eResources](#) page. Library patrons can access CBC Corner for free, with no sign in required.



BiblioBoard Project: Where to Eat in Marigold



Has your library been considering making their own BiblioBoard collection, but you aren't sure where to start? Marigold is curating a new BiblioBoard collection: Where to Eat in Marigold.

Do you love trying new restaurants? Have you ever wondered where to eat in the Marigold region? Share your Where to Eat in Marigold Staff Picks with the Marigold community!

Whether it's a restaurant, café, or a hidden gem in your community, we want to know. Share your Staff Pick for places to eat when on the road, or at home, in Marigold's borders.

Share your submissions and find more information on the [Marigold website](#).

This collection will be featured on BiblioBoard for all Marigold libraries to view. **The collection will be made available in January, so be sure to have your submissions in by the end of December.**

Indigenous Information

Getting to the Why of Things

When I am planning a new initiative of some sort, I begin with the usual questions; who, what, where, when, and why. To me, 'why' is the most basic question so I start it, as it serves a couple of purposes. It clarifies in my own mind what I want to accomplish, and it generally leaves me with a concise statement about the project that I can share with interested parties, an elevator pitch as they say.

Programs about reconciliation sometimes face questions that a simple literacy program, for example would not. I suppose this is because literacy is accepted as both library business and as an important asset for the public in general to have.

Reconciliation, on the other hand, is a newer concept. People are less comfortable with it, and you are more likely to meet resistance. My own belief is that libraries are meant to be leaders in our communities on social questions. At the very least we need to respond to our community's needs for information.

If you have a project in mind on Indigenous culture, it is important to get guidance from a Knowledge Keeper or an Elder but before you even approach anyone you need to have your own motives and goals firmly in mind. Here is a trick I use to narrow that down.

It is a fill in the blank technique meant to get to the root of things.

I want to _____ (a) _____ because _____ (b) _____.

This is not the end. When you have your first (b) firmly in mind move it to space (a) and fill in the second blank again. Keep refining your reasons until you have a great understanding of your own purpose in offering this program.

Beginning with this technique will help you create stronger programs and leave you able to discuss your plans with conviction when you are seeking funding or permission so you can move forward.

Submitted by Rose Reid
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From the Literary Community



New Online Tool for Non-Profit and Voluntary Organizations

The Alberta government has launched a new online tool on Alberta.ca to help non-profit and voluntary sector organizations access supports and resources needed to help serve Albertans.

This new online resource, found at <https://www.alberta.ca/grants-funding-and-supports-for-non-profits>, provides a one-stop access to information to help start, manage, and build capacity in a non-profit or charitable organization, no matter what sector the organization serves.

Services and supports include:

- Sector information
- Non-profit management
- Supports and services for non-profits
- Board member and governance training
- Grant information and application support

Orca Posters and Discussion Guides

Orca Book Publishers is pleased to offer these free, downloadable resources with your students and patrons. These materials cover a wide range of topics including various book discussion guides, colouring pages, informational posters, and so much more!

To view and download these materials, please visit the [Orca Book Publishers website](#).

Digital Citizenship & Online Safety

Help teach children about new technology, including AI, and stay safe online. Check out the new TELUS Wise Kahoot! channel for access to interactive, fast-paced games that can help children learn about online safety, privacy and security, digital wellness, and more.

Play Kahoot!

eResources

Brainfuse JobNow Webinar

Want to learn more about Brainfuse JobNow? Join Marigold and Brainfuse experts as they provide an overview on **November 15 @ 10:30am**. Learn all about the various resources available to help users find jobs, update their resumes, and so much more!



No need to register, just save the link to your calendar.

Please join the meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.



hoopla Bonus Borrows

Bonus borrows are back for November!

Bonus borrows are available from **November 1 - 30**. Library users can access a great selection of eAudiobooks, eBooks, comics, and videos from hoopla without using their two borrows.

Want to promote bonus borrows to your patrons? Visit the [hoopla Resource Center](#) for more information and promotional materials.



Big Library Read



The OverDrive/ Libby Big Library Read is back with **Artie and the Wolf Moon** by Olivia Stephens. Library patrons can access the eBook and eAudiobook until **November 16** with no holds, no waiting!

The Big Library Read book club is officially celebrating 10 years of bringing communities around the world together through reading and discussion.

Get Readers Talking

Share the Big Library Read [discussion board](#) and [reader guide](#) to get patrons talking about *Artie and the Wolf Moon*.

Win Prizes

Readers also have the chance to win a prize pack! Simply use **#BigLibraryRead** on social media by November 16. [See official rules.](#)

Promotional Materials

Easily promote the Big Library Read in your library and on social media by taking advantage of the available [marketing materials.](#)

hoopla Book Club - Fall 2023 Spotlight



hoopla's new book club title is ***I'd Really Prefer not to Be Here with You and Other Stories*** by Juliana Baggott.

Bestselling author Juliana Baggott delivers her mind-bending debut short-story collection, featuring an array of genres populated by deeply human characters. This fantastical collection from a unique voice contains a myriad of stories of the weird and wonderful.

Join the discussion October 1 - December 31, 2023. Visit hoopla today, to check out the eBook and eAudiobook.

eResources Challenge: Brainfuse

Live tutoring, study help, job preparation, and live job coaches! Brainfuse has got it all.



Take this challenge and you'll be entered into a draw for a **\$50.00 gift card** at the end of December!

Take the
Challenge!

For more information or to view past challenge answers, visit the [Marigold website](#).

Canadian Narrators on hoopla

hoopla has a new collection of eAudiobooks written by Canadian authors and narrated by Canadian writers and performers. From mystery and drama fiction titles to history and biography, this collection offers a Canadian voice for every audience.

Check out this great [Canadian collection](#) on hoopla today!

Professional Development

TRAC Webinar - Systems Administrators Group

November 22 @ 2:00pm

Have you ever wondered what the System Administrators Group is and does? Who they are? Or why they make the decisions they do?

You're in luck. They will be holding a webinar on **November 22, 2023, at 2pm** to tell you all about themselves and what they do as one of the TRAC working groups. There

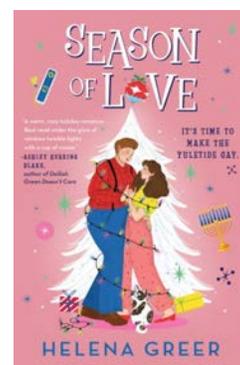
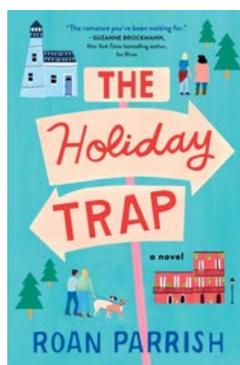
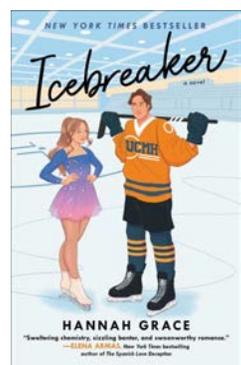
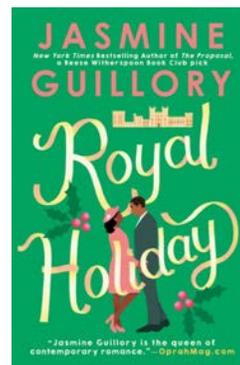
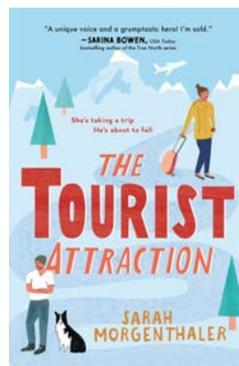
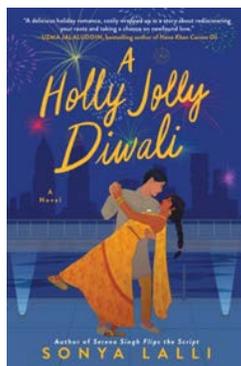
will also be opportunities to ask questions, so they encourage you to start thinking of those now!

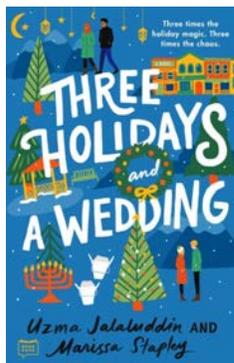
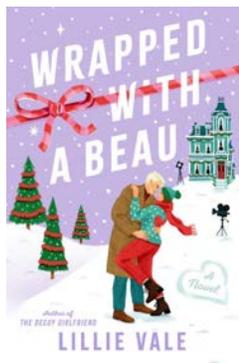
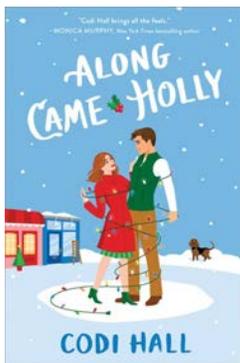
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Winter Romance

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- News or updates about your library
- Programs or events you'd like to share
- Pictures of your library or events at your library

Email your Consultant with any newsletter submissions you'd like to share with the Marigold Community.

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