

PROGRAM Guide

FALL 2020
Sep–Dec

online
programming



**SASKATOON
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

ALL PROGRAMS ARE
FREE

ZOOM ETIQUETTE

for Program Attendees

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Saskatoon Public Library programs are currently being offered online. Some of these programs are held via Zoom, an online audio and video conference platform. Attendees do not need to have a Zoom account to participate.

For the enjoyment of everyone participating, attendees are required to abide by the following guidelines for programs hosted on Zoom:

1. Attendees with screen names that are potentially offensive or contain language not appropriate for all audiences will not be admitted to the program.
2. Attendees must use language that is respectful of all participants.
3. When joining a program, microphones should be on mute. Please unmute only when asked by the program leader.
4. If your video is on, please have a fairly neutral background to help avoid distractions.
5. While your video and/or audio are on, please avoid loud and distracting activities such as eating, typing, having noisy devices on in the background on and having side conversations during the program.

Those who do not follow the above guidelines may be removed from the program. Thank you for helping ensure everyone can enjoy library programs during these challenging times.





ART & CRAFTS

Story Laboratory

Kids (ages 3–12) recommended

Join us to read a picture book and do a fun activity or craft based on it.

[Facebook](#) & [YouTube](#)

Saturdays & Sundays / Sep 5–Dec 27 / 2 pm

Sunday Crafternoon

Adults recommended

Let's get creative and crafty. We'll show you how to create a fun seasonal craft that won't break the bank.

[Facebook](#) & [YouTube](#)

Select Sundays / Sep 27, Oct 25, Nov 29 & Dec 27 / 2 pm

AUTHORS & WRITING

Ink: Young Writer's Club

Teens recommended

Spark your imagination with a variety of activities and games designed to develop your creative writing skills.

Zoom

Mondays / Sep 21 – Dec 14 / 4 pm

No program Oct 12

Register online through the [online program calendar](#).



Danny is an award-winning Syrian-Canadian author, public speaker and LGBTQ-refugees activist. His term as Writer in Residence begins in Sep 2020 and runs until May 2021.

The Writer in Residence acts as a mentor to writers in the community, reviewing manuscripts and providing advice about publishing. The Writer offers individual consultations, group workshops and programs, author readings and participates in other special events during their residency.

Danny is available to meet with adults and teens who want feedback and advice about a writing project.

Writer in Residence

306.975.7598 / writer@saskatoonlibrary.ca
saskatoonlibrary.ca/wir

Due to COVID-19, all consultation will be held remotely for at least the first half of this term.

Tuesdays / 11 am – 7 pm
Wednesdays / 1 – 9 pm



Writer in Residence services and events are in partnership with
[Canada Council for the Arts](#) [Conseil des arts du Canada](#)

Writer in Residence Welcome

Adults recommended

Meet Danny Ramadan SPL's new Writer in Residence. Join the Syrian-Canadian author for a night of literature and storytelling. The award-winning author published his debut novel, *The Clothesline Swing*, in 2017 to critical acclaim, and his children's Book, *Salma the Syrian Chef* in 2020. He is also known for his superb non-fiction essays, mediocre poetry, and poor sense of humour. He will be reading from his work in progress, answer your questions, and announce some surprises.

Zoom

Thursday / Sep 17 / 7 pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/98256295896

Novelish

Adults recommended

How to write that perfect first sentence?
How to write dialogue without being cheesy and unrealistic? How to keep on writing in a world that tells you to stop?

Join SPL's Writer in Residence Danny Ramadan as he answers an intricate question about writing, and help you better your tools and share personal stories on the challenges of perfecting your manuscript.

Facebook & YouTube

Select Tuesdays / 8 pm

Public Salon

Adults recommended

Join SPL's Writer in Residence as he hosts five local Saskatoon voices to read their stories, recite their poems and cheer on one another.

Zoom

Coming in October



Programs above in partnership with
[Canada Council for the Arts](#) [Conseil des arts du Canada](#)

AUTHORS & WRITING

Writers' Open Mic Night

Adults recommended

Writers and non-writers are invited to an informal evening of homegrown talent. Read your work or just listen. You'll meet a community of friendly, supportive and like-minded people with whom to share and develop your craft.

Zoom

Select Thursday / 7pm

To read your work email community@saskatoonlibrary.ca.
To join these presentations visit zoom.us/j/99011959590.

Danny Ramadan / Sep 10

SPL's Writer in Residence

Neil Aitken / Oct 8

Saskatchewan Writers' Guild Virtual Writer

Peace Akintade / Nov 12

Saskatchewan Youth Poet Laureate

Bruce Rice / Dec 10

Saskatchewan Poet Laureate

In partnership with



Healing in Creative Writing

Adults recommended

Join Bevann Fox for a creative writing workshop focused on healing. Bevann is the author of *Genocidal Love: A Life After Residential School* and a member of Pasqua First Nation, originally from Piapot First Nation. In 2014 she was honoured with the YWCA Women of Distinction Award—Arts, Culture and Heritage and she is the founder, producer, and co-host of Access TV's *The Four*.

Zoom

Thursday / Nov 19 / 6:30 pm

Register online through the [online program calendar](#).

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Haiku

Teens & adults recommended

Join MFA in Writing student Tea Gerbeza for a workshop to discuss the traditional haiku form, read some examples and look at how the form has evolved in contemporary poetry.

You will be encouraged to write and share your own haiku.

Zoom

Saturday / Nov 14 / 2 pm

Register online through the [online program calendar](#).

Can Writing be Taught?

Adults recommended

Are you thinking about embarking on a new writing project and don't know where to start? Join MFA in Writing student Ian Canon for a workshop to examine why writing can be taught and discuss where it's best to start.

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Saturday / Nov 21 / 2 pm

Register online through the [online program calendar](#).

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BOOK CLUBS

Rainbow-ish Teen Book Club

Teens recommended

Share your thoughts, your opinions, and your pronouns as we explore Young Adult fiction books by, for and about people of the rainbow. Gay, straight, two-spirit, gender queer, and anyone who feels they are *-ish* are welcome.

Books are available for download as eBook and eAudiobook the first Monday of every month. Selected titles are subject to change.

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Select Wednesdays / 6 pm

Register online through the [online program calendar](#).

Pet / Sep 23

Akwaeke Emezi

Naomi and Ely's No Kiss List / Oct 28

Rachel Cohn & David Levithan

The Gentleman's Guide to Vice and Virtue / Nov 25

Mackenzi Lee

Felix Ever After / Dec 16

Kacen Callender

SPL Virtual Book Club

Adults recommended

Join us on for fun and casual chats about new eBooks every month. You'll get to connect with fellow book lovers and enjoy engaging discussions.

[Facebook Group](#)

Sep 1 - Dec 31

To join visit facebook.com/groups



ENVIRONMENT

Sustainable YXE

Teens recommended

Wondering how you can help protect the environment? Learn about fun and approachable local sustainability practices and what teens can do to make our community more sustainable.

Zoom

Thursdays / Sep 24 – Dec 17 / 6 pm

Register online through the [online program calendar](#).



Sustainability Speakers Series

Adults recommended

Guest speakers will discuss sustainability with a local focus.

Zoom

Select Tuesdays / 7pm

Kira Judge / Sep 15

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/93795122265

Saskatchewan Watersheds: Characteristics & Challenges / Oct 20

Bob Halliday's presentation will include a discussion of matters such as the effects of climate change and draining wetlands. Bob is a consulting engineer and is the former director of Environment Canada's National Hydrology Research Centre.

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/95828584756

Action for Climate: Supporting Natural Ecosystems / Nov 24

Branimir Gjetvaj offers insights into ways to increase the resilience of natural ecosystems to climate change, and how human-altered landscapes can be better managed for carbon emission mitigation, biodiversity conservation, and sustainable resource use.

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/99196483342

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Book Scenes

Guess which book we've recreated using household items. A new book scene image will be posted on Mondays, with the answer revealed on Tuesday.

[Instagram](#)

Mondays & Tuesdays

Online Games

Visit saskatoonlibrary.ca/online-programs for Local History photograph puzzles, virtual escape rooms, bingo, geocache adventures, trivia and quizzes.

INDIGENOUS

Orange Shirt Day

Orange Shirt Day was started in 2013 to educate and promote awareness about the harmful legacy of residential schools in Canada. It was named in honour of residential school survivor Phyllis Jack Webstad, who was six years old when she had a new orange shirt taken from her after arriving at the St. Joseph Mission residential school.

We hope these programs create the opportunity to discuss the legacy of residential schools and to affirm commitments to reconciliation for all ages.

[Facebook & YouTube](#)

Wednesday / Sep 30

For more information visit orangeshirtday.org

Storytime / 10:30am

Kids (ages 2–6) recommended

An introduction to respect for others and ourselves, affirming that “Every Child Matters.”

Story Laboratory / 2pm

Kids (ages 7–10) recommended

Join us for stories to learn about kids at residential schools in Canada, and to do a fun “Every Child Matters” activity.

Grown-Up Storytime / 7pm

Adults recommended

Join us for readings from works about residential schools in Canada. Consider their legacy, and reaffirm your commitment to reconciliation.



Indigenous Spotlights

Adults recommended

Join us for presentations from local Indigenous artists and performers. Each week, we'll have a new video with music, storytelling, theatre, and more.

[Facebook & YouTube](#)

Select Saturdays / 12 pm

Sun and Moon with Randy Morin / Sep 19

Randy Morin (he/him) will read *Sun and Moon*, a children's book he wrote in English and Cree, illustrated by Mitchell Poundmaker. Randy is a fluent Cree speaker from Big River First Nation and a father of three who is a passionate advocate for the Cree language and Indigenous culture.

Music with Marentin Fehr / Sep 26

Marentin Fehr (he/him) shares his music with us and discusses his creative process. Marentin is a singer, songwriter, and music educator from Waterhen Lake First Nation on Treaty 6 territory.

Music with Brittany Johnson / Oct 3

Brittany Johnson (she/her) is a singer/songwriter from Beaver First Nation, on Treaty 8 territory. She writes and performs country music and her record, *Just for the Night*, can be found on streaming services.

A Poetry Reading by the Fire / Nov 7

Skjeie (/shay/) is an educator and poet born to a Métis mother and German-Norwegian father. An alumnus of the Banff Centre's Emerging Writers Intensive, he won third prize in the 2020 Short Grain Contest for Poetry, was longlisted for the 2019 Pacific Spirit Poetry Prize, and his work appears in *PRISM international*, *Grain Magazine*, and *The Mamawi Project Zine*, among others.

Immemorial by Curtis Peeteetuce / Nov 14

Curtis is an award-winning theatre artist from the Beardy's & Okemasis Cree Nation. He is a storyteller, actor, writer, director, dancer, musician and the playwright for the popular rez Christmas story series as well as *nicimos*, *kihew* and *Popcorn Elder* (nominated for two Saskatchewan arts awards). Curtis has also served as an emcee, cultural arts consultant and advocates for mental health and suicide awareness. He dedicates all his accomplishments to his son Mahihkan.

LAW

Legal Research Help

Adults recommended

Plan on representing yourself or need legal research help? Book a thirty minute Zoom appointment with Ken Fox from the Law Society of Saskatchewan who will help guide you through the many legal resources available.

The Law Society of Saskatchewan has no jurisdiction to provide legal advice, recommend a lawyer or act on an individual's behalf.

Appointment needed

Tuesdays & Thursdays / Sep 1–Dec 31 / 1–4 pm

To book an appointment email community@saskatoonlibrary.ca.

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Restorative Justice, COVID-19 & Virtual Connections

Adults recommended

Physical distancing, lockdowns and stay-at-home orders have affected the way we live and work. Restorative justice, a practice that largely relies on human-to-human connections, has had to embrace technology and virtual connections in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Join our panelists as they discuss recent changes to restorative justice in Saskatchewan and throughout Canada.

Zoom

Wednesday / Nov 18 / 3 pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/97603728941

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Moderator

Muhammad Asadullah

Muhammad Asadullah ("Asad") is an assistant professor at the University of Regina's Department of Justice Studies His research interests include decolonization, restorative justice, village courts, peacemaking criminology, Indigenous justice and contemplative justice.

Panelists

Erika Deines

A chartered mediator with an extensive background in conflict coaching, family group conferencing and mediation. She works regularly in culturally diverse environments, in academic settings and in various other family and workplace contexts.

Lindsay Wilcox

An assistant program coordinator and mediation caseworker at the John Howard Society of Saskatchewan Moose Jaw Branch. She has worked here for the past 13 years within the parameters of Victim/Offender Mediation Casework with the Alternative Measures Program for adults and Extrajudicial Sanctions Program for youth.

Kristin Friday

The urban justice coordinator at Saskatoon Tribal Council where she has worked for the past 12 years. Currently, she coordinates and supervises justice programs including Reintegration Program, Extra-Judicial Sanctions, and the Aboriginal Courtworker Program. Kristin is from the George Gordon First Nation.

LOCAL HISTORY

Evenings in Local History

Adults recommended

Join us to learn about the history of Saskatoon and see history in action from the perspective of a variety of local experts.

[Zoom](#)

Select Thursdays / Sep 17, Oct 22 & Nov 19 / 8 pm

25 Years Dancing in Saskatoon / Sep 17

Jackie Latendresse, artistic director, choreographer and general manager of the Free Flow Dance Theatre Company will talk about the group's history in the city, and the history of dance in Saskatoon.

To join this presentation visit [zoom.us/w/92416880396](https://zoom.us/j/92416880396)

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Saskatoon Slideshows

Adults recommended

Go back in time with Local History experts. We'll share stories from the past using the library's historical photo archive.

[Facebook](#) & [YouTube](#)

Select Thursdays / 4 pm

100 Years at Mayfair School / Sep 3

Celebrate a century of learning and fun at Mayfair School.

Slices of Saskatoon / Oct 1

Explore a slice of our city's history through photographs of bygone bakeries.

At the Movies / Nov 5

Revisit the movie theatres and drive-ins of Saskatoon's past.

Blue Plate Special: 100 Years of Saskatoon Restaurants / Dec 3

Explore going out for a meal throughout Saskatoon's history.

SPEAKERS

YXE Experts

Adults recommended

Join us for presentation on various topics such as health and history to art and travel. A great opportunity to socialize, discuss and exercise your brain.

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Select Fridays / 2 pm

Birds for Beginners / Sep 25

Birds Canada's Saskatchewan Breeding Bird Atlas Coordinator, LeeAnn Latremouille, will discuss basic tools used, bird identification, and an overview of the major groups of birds found in Saskatchewan.

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/91674720530

Still Here, Still Healing / Oct 23

Podcast host and local artist Jade Roberts discusses Indigenous voices, storytelling and presence in digital media.

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/98746087965

Race, Racisms & Anti-Racisms in the Modern World / Nov 13

University of Saskatchewan Professor Maurice Jr. Labelle speaks about activism, post-colonial liberation and the interconnected history of the Middle East and North America

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/97005024588

Reading the Bible After TRC / Dec 18

As the TRC has shown us, Canadian law and institutions are based on the erasure of Indigenous peoples. This talk by University of Saskatchewan faculty member Christine Mitchell explores possibilities for reading these texts as settler-Canadians committed to the work of reconciliation.

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/96639792044



Tax Information Sessions

Adults recommended

Join us and Canada Revenue Agency for information sessions on various topics.

WebEx

Select Mondays & Tuesdays

To register visit [Saskatoon Public Library hosting](https://www.saskatoonlibrary.ca/hosting) [Canada Revenue Agency Outreach](https://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/arc-outreach)

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Credits & Benefits

Monday / Sep 21 / 2pm & Tuesday / Sep 29 / 7pm

How to get and keep receiving benefits and credits the CRA administers such as the Canada Child Benefit, GST/HST credit, Canada Workers Benefit, and the Climate Action Incentive.

Slam the Scam

Tuesday / Sep 22 / 2pm & Monday / Sep 28 / 7pm

How to recognize a scam and how to protect yourself from scammers.

Disability Tax Credit

Tuesday / Sep 22 / 7pm & Tuesday / Sep 29 / 2pm

How to qualify for the credit, how to apply, and how to claim it on your taxes.



SPEAKERS

Civic Election Forums

Adults recommended

Join us for all candidates forums for each ward for the Saskatoon civic election.

To find out more about the election and voting please visit City of Saskatoon Elections at saskatoon.ca/election-2020/information-voters.

Zoom

Select dates & times

Ward 1

Thursday / Oct 29 / 7pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/96661893739

Ward 2

Monday / Oct 19 / 7pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/97137204265

Ward 3

Saturday / Oct 24 / 1pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/94075635747

Ward 4

Tuesday / Oct 20 / 7pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/98517489086

Ward 5

Tuesday / Oct 27 / 7pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/94335573835

Ward 6

Wednesday / Oct 21 / 7pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/97224775484

Ward 7

Wednesday / Oct 28 / 7pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/96661893739

Ward 8

Thursday / Oct 22 / 7pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/96563747456

Ward 9

Wednesday / Oct 21 / 7pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/99726854548

Ward 10

Saturday / Oct 17 / 1 pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/95498423452

Provincial Election Forums

Adults recommended

Join the provincial election candidates to discuss a range of issues. Each candidate will answer questions and discuss their parties' platforms.

To find out more about the election and voting please visit Elections Saskatchewan at elections.sk.ca.

Zoom

Saturday / Oct 17 / 3 pm

To join this presentation visit zoom.us/j/95052868475





Baby storytime

Babies (ages 0–2) recommended

Join us to learn rhymes, songs and read books. This program is perfect for caregivers and their babies.

[Facebook & YouTube](#)

Tuesdays / Sep 8–Dec 31 / 10:30 am

Storytime Online

Kids (ages 2–5) recommended

Join us to read fun and engaging books for kids.

[Facebook & YouTube](#)

Mondays, Wednesdays & Sundays / Sep 7–Dec 30 / 10:30 am

Sign Language Storytime

Kids (ages 2–5) recommended

Join us along with interpreters from the Saskatchewan Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services as we read fun and engaging children's books.

[Facebook & YouTube](#)

Saturdays / Sep 5–Dec 19 / 10:30 am

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Quiet Storytime

Kids (ages 2–5) recommended

Join us to relax in this noisy world with quiet calming stories.

[Facebook & YouTube](#)

Fridays / Sep 4–Dec 18 / 10:30 am

Storytime Live

Kids (ages 2–5) recommended

Join us live on Zoom for interactive fun, stories and online silliness.

SPL's Writer in Residence, Danny Ramada will read his book *Salma the Syrian Chef* on Sep 15.

[Zoom](#)

Tuesdays / Sep 15–Dec 8 / 11 am

To join these storytimes, visit zoom.us/j/96393910287

Spine Chilling Tales

Kids (ages 8–12) recommended

Join us for a week of kid-friendly spooky stories just in time for Halloween.

[Facebook & YouTube](#)

Mondays–Fridays / Oct 25–Oct 31 / 6 pm

Grown-up Storytime

Adults recommended

Adults enjoy stories too. Join us to read stories and novels with mature themes.

[Facebook & YouTube](#)

Mondays–Wednesdays / Sep 1–Dec 30 / 7 pm

Spooky Stories for Sleepless Nights

Adults recommended

Join us for some grown-up tales that are little bit suspenseful, a little bit cozy, and a little bit scary.

[Facebook & YouTube](#)

Monday–Thursday / Oct 19–Oct 22 / 6 pm

Hours & Locations



1 Frances Morrison Central Library

311 23rd St E
306.975.7558

Monday to Saturday / 10 am – 6 pm

Local History (second level)

306.975.7578

Closed

The Friends' Shop (lower level)

Closed

2 Alice Turner Library

110 Nelson Rd
306.975.8127

Monday to Saturday / 10 am – 6 pm

3 Carlyle King Library[†]

3130 Laurier Dr
Cosmo Civic Centre
306.975.7592

Monday to Saturday / 12 – 6 pm
Holds Pickups Service / 10 am – 12 pm

4 Cliff Wright Library

1635 McKercher Dr
Lakewood Civic Centre
306.975.7550

Monday to Saturday / 10 am – 6 pm

5 Dr. Freda Ahenakew Library

100 – 219 Ave K S
306.975.7508

Monday to Friday / 10 am – 6 pm

6 J.S. Wood Library^{**}

1801 Lansdowne Ave
306.975.7590

Monday to Saturday / 10 am – 6 pm

7 Mayfair Library

602 33rd St W
306.975.7591

Monday to Saturday / 10 am – 6 pm

8 Round Prairie Library

170 – 250 Hunter Rd
306.986.9700

Monday to Saturday / 10 am – 6 pm

9 Rusty Macdonald Library

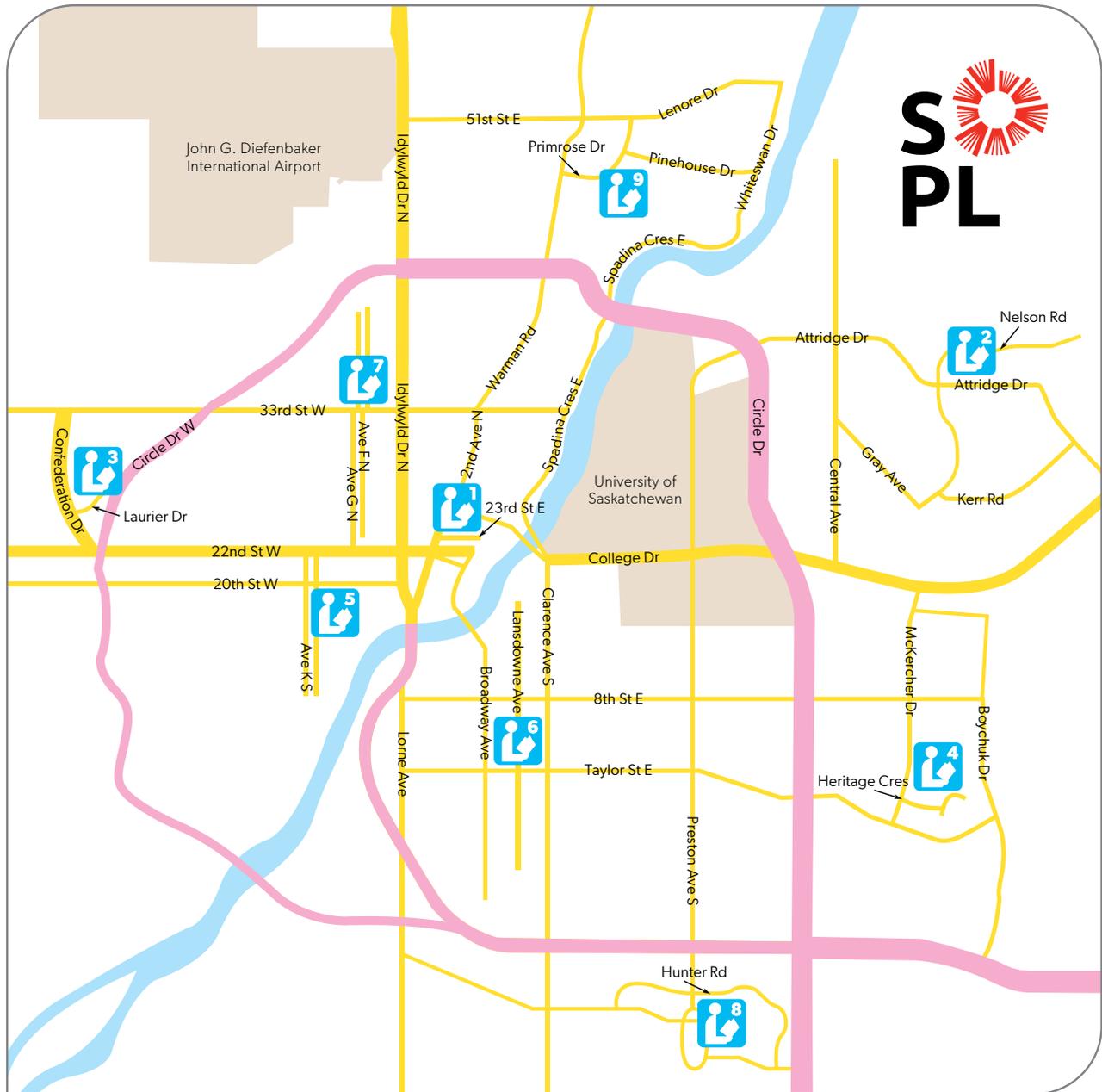
225 Primrose Dr
Lawson Civic Centre
306.975.7600

Monday to Saturday / 10 am – 6 pm



^{**}The lower level of the J.S. Wood Library is not wheelchair accessible.

[†]Civic Centre Meeting and Combatives Rooms are not wheelchair accessible.



2020 Library Closures

All library locations will be closed on the following dates:

New Years Day, Jan 1
 Family Day, Feb 17
 Good Friday, Apr 10
 Easter Sunday, Apr 12
 Easter Monday, Apr 13
 Victoria Day, May 18
 Canada Day, Jul 1

Civic Day, Aug 3
 Labour Day, Sep 7
 Thanksgiving, Oct 12
 Remembrance Day, Nov 11
 Christmas Day, Dec 25
 Boxing Day, Dec 26

Early Closures
 Dec 24 & 31 at 5 pm

BUS SCHEDULE INFORMATION

Visit saskatoon.ca and click "T" for Transit; call 306.975.3100; Access Transit customers call 306.975.3555; or ask at the library public desks for a bus schedule.