

Play #OnBeat at Aurora Public Library!

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Immerse yourself in a symphony of artistic expression as APL plays #OnBeat this Culture Days with immersive experiences through music, writing, art and dance. On Saturday, September 29 from 1.30 ? 4.15 p.m., enjoy performances, workshops and interactive activities that invite you to create, participate and share.

Music aficionados will delight in a concert performed by musicians from the York Chamber Ensemble. Entitled ?Classical Beats; from Baroque to the Contemporary?, the concert will feature Ian Clarke, Michael Adamson, Susan Beth Barak and Barbara J. Dickson playing selections from the works of Mozart, Haydn, Handel and others. Capture the magic at this extraordinary Culture Days partnership.

?Bring your own ghost? to an intimate writing workshop with Marnie Maguire. Participants will unearth a ghost of their former selves - an ancestor, family member, lover or imagined character - and use writing prompts and meditation techniques to unravel the plot that leads to the ghost's departure. This unique opportunity is free, but advance registration is required as spots are limited. Ages 16+.

Join artists Judy Sherman and Eva Folks for ?Drop-in and Draw?. Stay for a quick sketch or enjoy the full session. Judy and Eva always create a fun atmosphere in their workshops, so come by with the whole family. Bring your own supplies or use basic drawing materials (conté, pencils and pastels) supplied by the Library. Beginner or advanced ? Just drop in!

It's an extraordinary experience to watch the process of creation. Exhibiting artists, Sue Foerster and Archie Maghsoudloo, of the current exhibit ?Tiny Dancer: fluidity in motion? will be sketching a ballerina model live. Watch, engage, learn and interact. Bring comfortable shoes and get ready to dance with folk dance teacher, Riki Adivi. Bringing a multicultural flavour to the day, Riki will be teaching easy-to-learn dances from the Middle East and Persia. Folk dancing is usually about having the whole family dancing together, so this fabulously fun closing activity is definitely all ages/family friendly.

Culture Days is a collaborative movement that welcomes your participation. Look for your Culture Days passport in The Auroran, visit any of the participating venues to have your passport stamped and be eligible to win great prizes.

For more information on APL's Culture Days activities, including times of the individual activities, please visit the Library at aurorapl.ca.