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A Newly Renovated Library Accessible to all!

The Dollard-des-Ormeaux Public Library has been transformed thanks to major renovations carried out in 2020 and 2021. The surface area was increased by 278 square meters. The inauguration took place on September 1, 2021.

The renovation aimed to offer residents a new spacious, state-of-the-art library: a third place. The project consisted in expanding and renovating the library, redesigning the interior layout, and modernizing services offered to citizens. To achieve this, the library



was completely rethought and remodeled. User comfort and well-being were at the heart of the renovations. Many natural trees were placed in the library to create a calm and relaxing atmosphere.

Citizens can now borrow and return documents using loan and return terminals. Returns are sorted using a conveyor. A mezzanine has been added to the atrium, doubling seating capacity.



The library now has a space reserved for teenagers, four study rooms, a computer lab allowing for video editing, and a nursing room.

A reading area is dedicated to presenting the library's new documents. In addition to new releases, the library includes many thematic displays. Employee reading suggestions are also available.



A new door allows access to the library's garden, which has been designed to continue reading outdoors. Picnic tables, benches, and loungers have been added outside to offer different options to users.

A laptop bar with electrical outlets is located along the windows in the adult section. The light wood moldings around the original windows enhance the architecture.



Everything has been done to create comfortable areas for children, including a corner for toddlers and a reading area ideal for school visits or daycares.



The Discovery Center, which offers activities for all, is equipped with a green screen for filming videos. In the children's section, an enchanted tree awaits young readers to discover the joy of reading. Benches and small houses add to the magic of this space.



Finally, a library logo has been created and the abolition of late fees has been implemented.

We will continue to renew our numerous cultural and technological activities for all ages and give a soul to the library. The challenge has been met. Our users are satisfied. They feel good in their library, which has become a third place for them. After home and work, the library has become their regular destination!

I would like to thank the Municipal Council for believing in this adventure and the provincial and federal governments for their financial support. Thanks to all those who worked in one way or another to embellish the library. Finally, thanks to all my fantastic colleagues who make this library an extraordinary place every day and who believe in this wonderful living environment that is the Dollard-des-Ormeaux Library.



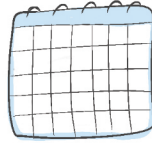
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The Library at a Glance

OPENING

The library is open:

352
days a year

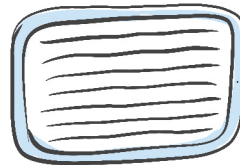
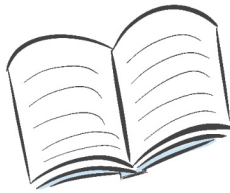


7 days a week
5 evenings a week

COLLECTIONS

Books

Printed
125 515



eBooks
10 448

Audio books
2 985



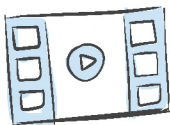
Digital audio books
1 953

Magazines & Newspapers

Printed
2 465



E-magazines
6 449



5 356 movies on DVD or Blu-ray

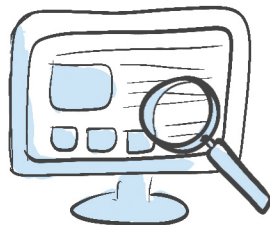


425 video games

The Library at a Glance

ONLINE RESOURCES

Number of accesses
13 333



Number of
downloaded items
24 153

eBooks, audiobooks & literature



CloudLibrary
eBooks & eAudiobooks

cloudLibrary
English eBooks and audiobooks.



pretnumerique.ca

Pretnumerique.ca
French eBooks and audiobooks.



Hoopla
Audiobooks, eBooks, comic books.



Romance BookCloud
Romance eBooks.



TumbleBooks
Online books for children (English, French, and other languages).



NoveList Plus
Summaries and reading suggestions in English.

Magazines and newspapers



Flipster
Digital magazines (English and French).



Protégez-Vous
Tests and advice on buying products.

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Genealogy



Ancestry Library Edition

Genealogy resource in English and French (on-site access only).



Généalogie Québec

Quebec and French-Canadian genealogy resource.

Music and film



hoopla

Music, TV series and movies.



Naxos Music Library

Classical music streaming service.



Naxos Jazz

Jazz music streaming service.



Mazaam

Introduction to classical music for children.

Careers and online courses



Career Cruising

Job search resource in English and French.



Rosetta Stone

Language courses.



Tout apprendre

Online courses on computers, programming, language learning, personal development, etc. (in French).

The Library at a Glance

USAGE



224 019
physical entries in the library



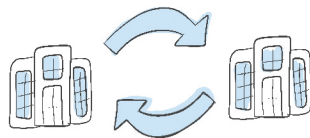
253 110 loans



Adults
116 238

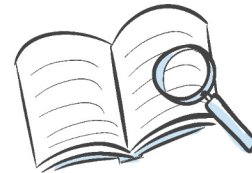


Children
136 872



965 interlibrary loans

38 168 documents consulted in-library



9 451 reference questions
(reference desks)



3 120 questions at the loan and return terminals
(reception desk)



2 756 study room reservations

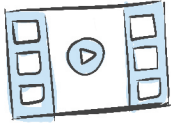


The Library at a Glance

READING SUGGESTIONS



**246 displays of
reading suggestions**



**Mathieu's suggestion videos are
very popular in Dollard-des-Ormeaux,
in Quebec and even internationally.**



(For 0- to 8-year-olds) - 20 videos with 1 571 views



20 videos with 2 316 views

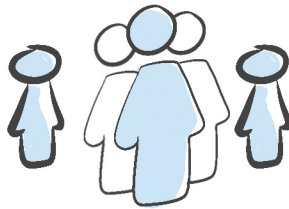


20 videos with 1 870 views

The Library at a Glance

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

385 cultural activities offered



7 807 participants

Cultural activities of all kinds are offered to citizens.

Activities for adults: literary rendez-vous, creative writing workshops, computer workshops, NFB cineclub, conferences, Cultural Fridays (indoor and outdoor concerts), etc.



Children's activities: Baby Rhymes (0- to 24- months-old), Tiny Tales (2- to 3-years-old), Story Time (3- to 5-years-old), Once Upon a Time (5- to 8-years-old), Pyjama Story Time, Homework Helpers, My Reading Buddy, creative workshops, shows, Coding Club, Library in the Park, Storywalk, TD Summer Reading Club, Comic Fans, etc.



The Library at a Glance



Some activities are reserved for teenagers, such as gaming nights, certain workshops, etc.

Others are open to everyone: movie nights, family chess nights, board games with friends, etc.



Activities are offered during various theme days or months: World Book and Copyright Day, Earth Day, Black History Month, National Indigenous History Month, Poetry Month, Comic Book Month, etc.

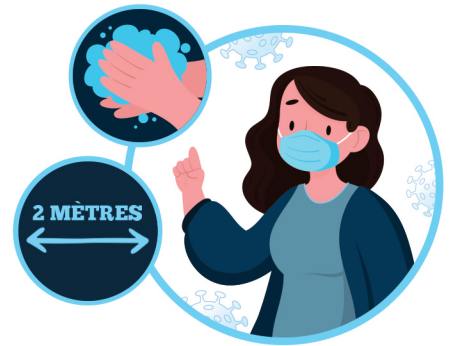
We also offer programs such as: Books for Baby, (a baby reader kit for children up to one year old), Biblio-santé (a collection of health resources), Let's Talk Science (a science kit), Living Together! (spotlight on our cultural communities), home delivery to library members with temporary or permanent mobility issues, and more.



Highlights of 2022

JANUARY

The year 2022 began with new health restrictions, but the library remained open, unlike many other libraries.



Storywalk at the Winter Carnival

The library participated in the Dollard-des-Ormeaux Winter Carnival by presenting the Storywalk in four parks: Edward Janiszewski (January 23), Sunnybrooke (January 29), Lake (February 5) and Westminster (February 12).



FEBRUARY

Black History Month

Several activities were scheduled for Black History Month including a djembe workshop for teens. In addition, displays of reading suggestions were set up in the children's and adult sections.



Highlights of 2022

Wine Tasting Workshop

The wine tasting workshop presented by Carl Bird was a great success. It featured eight wines from different countries in the southern hemisphere.



Blind Date With a Book

To celebrate Valentine's Day, Blind Date With a Book was offered to members in the adult section.

Jangal l'exploratrice en amourzonie

The children were invited to attend the show Jangal l'exploratrice en amourzonie which made them travel to the Amazon, or was it rather Amourzonie?



MARCH

March Break at the Library

It was fun at the library during March break! Workshops were presented each day: an animal encounter with Éducazoo, making a neon sign, Classicofone: music creation with iPad, building a robot and learning the basics of robotics and mechanics as well as creating a mini-podcast. To wrap it all up, a family movie night was presented on Friday night.



Highlights of 2022

Our Coding Club is Back!

The children were excited about the return of the Coding Club. Many of them came to the coding sessions and were delighted to start programming again!



APRIL



Our Story Times are Back With New Story Tellers!

Two new story tellers have joined the library team to replace the positions left vacant during the pandemic. Their imagination and energy will please the children!

Easter Egg Hunt and Show

The children joined Rico Cocorico cowboy au galop to celebrate Easter. This was followed by an exciting Easter egg hunt in the library!



Earth Day

A workshop on air quality was presented as part of Earth Day. The children learned to identify air pollutants, their sources, health effects and ways to prevent them.

Highlights of 2022

Conferences on Matters of Interest to Citizens

Conferences are chosen according to the needs of citizens. A conference was presented for family caregivers on advance care planning. A conference was also presented on electric cars as part of Earth Day.



MAY

Comic Book Month

As part of Comic Book Month, the library hosted the My Music is a Comic Book workshop. Our young patrons had fun imagining the sounds and noises of comic book images. They then created the soundtrack for their own comic book.



24 Hours of Science

A workshop on chemical reactions was presented to children as part of 24 Hours of Science.

Ecological and Gardening Day

The library joined the DDO Ecological and Gardening Day event held at Centennial Park. Our story teller prepared a special craft and gardening activity for the children which she presented from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Highlights of 2022

JUNE

The Micro-Libraries are Back!

Micro-libraries were installed in Centennial and Spring Garden parks. People were invited to take or leave books.



National Indigenous History Month & In June I Read Indigenous Authors!

As part of National Indigenous History Month & In June I Read Indigenous Authors! displays of reading suggestions were set up in the children and adult sections.



Cultural Fridays

A cultural team was created to offer a diversified cultural program to the citizens of Dollard-des-Ormeaux. Cultural Fridays offer classical music, traditional music, theater, jazz, rock, world music, etc. A variety of artistic performances are offered throughout the year as part of Cultural Fridays. In the summer, Cultural Fridays are presented in the library's garden, weather permitting. The rest of the year, Cultural Fridays are held in the banquet hall.

The first Cultural Friday took place on June 10 with Yoel Diaz & au rythme de la camerata.

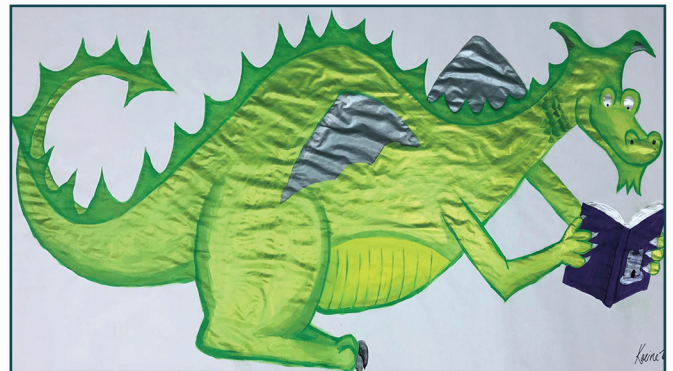


Highlights of 2022

TD Summer Reading Club

The library participated in the TD Summer Reading Club for the 19th consecutive year. From June 18 to August 20, **330 children participated** in the myth and legend-themed TD Summer Reading Club 2022. Our programming encourages learning to read in a fun and recreational way.

The TD Summer Reading Club kick-off event was held on June 18. A theater on wheels show was presented by Tortue Berlué. Children were invited to join the Reading Club at the same time. After signing up, the children received an adhesive scale to write their name on and stuck it on the giant dragon in the children's section.



The TD Summer Reading Club is becoming the star of the season at the library with its challenges and privileges. This is an exciting summer activity that is very stimulating for our young participants. Successful completion of challenges earns privileges.



Highlights of 2022

JULY & AUGUST

Cultural Fridays

Cultural Fridays were held in July and August. With Spooky Ride, the audience was treated to original acoustic pieces at the crossroads of bluegrass, jazz and Americana. Repercussion Theatre presented Shakespeare in the Park with the play All Shall Be Well. Rocket 56 had the audience moving and dancing to the beat! The last show of the summer celebrated the music of legendary singer-songwriter James Taylor. Mother Nature was on our side and all Cultural Fridays were presented in the library's garden!



New Public Piano in Centennial Park!

A new public piano is now installed near the Centennial Park chalet. The piano was painted by Tina Sembhi, Alyssa Archer-Cooper, Julie Nebbs and Rasha Salem, four local artists, some of whom are members of the Dollard Artists' Association.

TD Summer Reading Club Closing Event

The Summer Reading Club ended with a circus show for the whole family. Raffles and goody bags were waiting for the kids to reward them for reading all summer.



SEPTEMBER



The New Library Celebrates its 1st Anniversary!

Library patrons were invited to celebrate the 1st anniversary of the opening of the renovated library. A magician, crafts, surprises and fun for the whole family were on the agenda!

Highlights of 2022

CloudLibrary is Now Live!

The library has migrated its collection of English-language eBooks and audiobooks for adults, teens and children to CloudLibrary. Members now have access to more digital books through the sharing of multiple library catalogs.



OCTOBER



Cultural Fridays

In October, we had the jazz group SuperNova 4 as part of the Cultural Fridays.

Fous du français – théâtre en francisation

The library obtained a grant from the Union des municipalités and the Quebec government to offer the Fous du français project (theatrical workshops offered to students in francization classes). The children participated in 5 workshops, focusing on learning French in a fun context, which led to the creation of a play at the end of the program.



Gaming Night

Our first post-pandemic gaming night for teens was a huge success! The teens participated in the FIFA tournament on the big screens with great joy!

Highlights of 2022

Prix Denis-Vaugois : Aménagement de bibliothèques publiques

The Dollard-des-Ormeaux Public Library has won the "Prix Denis-Vaugois : Aménagement de bibliothèques publiques (5 000 habitants et plus)". The Denis Vaugois Award recognizes excellence in the construction, expansion and design of public libraries. It is with pride that a part of the library team received the award at the gala evening.



Halloween at the Library

To celebrate Halloween, the library offered a pumpkin decorating workshop and contest. Many children attended the show *Un drôle de sort pour Poussière la sorcière*.



NOVEMBER



Cultural Fridays

In November, the Molinari Quartet and Catherine Perrin, harpsichordist and narrator, presented Théâtre musical familial « Les Fables de La Fontaine » with music by Gougeon and Rameau.

Highlights of 2022

Early Childhood Week

An introduction to physical activity and music workshop for parents and children aged 0 to 5 was offered as part of Early Childhood Week.



Living Library

In the fall of 2022, the Living Library series took off. We welcomed Dollard-des-Ormeaux residents with a life story to tell. Encounters with "human books" that transcend barriers! We had Frank Pagnelli, an artist and blogger with multiple sclerosis who is dedicated to the cause, Prithu Mukhopadhyay, a scientist who spoke to us about planned retirement and how he lives it, and

Michael Libling, author of the novel Hollywood North who spoke to us about his journey as an author.

Remembrance Day

As part of Remembrance Day, we presented NFB films on the theme of veterans and the World Wars.



The Gift of Reading

The library participated in The Gift of Reading. This program is for underprivileged children aged 0 to 12 from across Quebec and aims to prevent reading and writing difficulties that may lead to school dropout, and then illiteracy in Quebec.

Highlights of 2022

DECEMBER

Redesign of the Library's Website

Now that the library has been completely renovated, it was time to revamp its website. The new website was launched in December.



Christmas at the Library

Several activities were scheduled to celebrate Christmas. A letter to Santa workshop was held for the children. They were then invited to send their letter to the North Pole thanks to the Letter to Santa program from Canada Post. Throughout the month of December, the children were given the opportunity to see our naughty elf's reading suggestions! Finally, children and adults were invited to attend the show Stella et l'étoile de Noël.



Upcoming in 2023

Interac Payment

We are planning to implement Interac payment for our members.



Pergola in the Library's Garden

We are working on a project to install a pergola in the library's garden.

More Cultural Fridays

We plan to increase the number of Cultural Fridays.

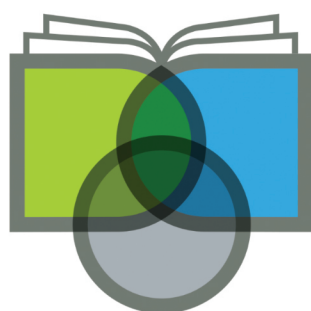


Service Offer for Seniors' Residences

We are working on a service project for Dollard-des-Ormeaux seniors' residences.

Our activities and services are free of charge thanks to funding from:





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