

October 28, 2023

ECU - a Division of WFCU Credit Union Trick or Trot



This October, we are proud to host Waterloo Region's inaugural ECU – a Division of WFCU Credit Union Trick or Trot! A Halloween-themed 5K Run, 5K Walk, and 1K or 250m Kids Dash, this new community event offers family fun you won't want to miss! Alongside the 5K Run, 5K Walk, and Kids Dash, we will be hosting a Halloween Costume Contest. Come dressed in your favourite costume for the chance to win! Costumes are not required to participate in any of the race events but are encouraged. Join us before and after the race for awards, music, and activities! Proceeds from this event will benefit Food4Kids Waterloo Region, a local organization that addresses the childhood hunger crisis present in our community. We will be collecting non-perishable foods at the event to donate to Food4Kids. Bring your food donations in exchange for a Halloween Treat!

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Calling all ghosts and ghouls! Wear a costume and do a spooky scavenger hunt at any Idea Exchange location for a prize! Lots of fun and ghastly activities for all our favourite trick-or-treaters! Cost: FreeAGE GROUP: —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —SchoolAged —Halloween —

Online Privacy with Amanda Tkaczyk



Learn how to protect yourself online. Learn how to protect yourself online from an industry professional. You will find out about various ways you may be at risk online, as well as ways in which you can protect yourself and your information. Learn about two-factor authentication, how to set strong passwords, how to keep those passwords safe, and more. All are welcome, no experience is necessary. Amanda Tkaczyk is an award-winning educator who is passionate about co-designing meaningful experiences. In addition to nearly a decade of professional IT experience, Amanda is a Certified Information Privacy Professional - Canada and completed her Master of Management in Artificial Intelligence (MMAI) in 2021. Cost: FreeAGE GROUP: —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Special Events —Programs + Workshops —Lectures + Talks —TAGS: —TechTraining —Technology —

Introduction to Digital Embroidery



Go through the basics of using the Makerspace embroidery machine. You'll learn to up-load designs, hoop your fabric, thread the machine, and more. We'll also share common mistakes or errors you may receive and how to resolve them. Cost: FreeAGE GROUP: —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Maker Programs —TAGS: —TechTraining —Technology —Sewing —Makerspace —Embroidery —DIY —

Pumpkin Hunt!



The search is on! We grew a magic pumpkin in our own pumpkin patch. Find the golden pumpkin to win a 2023-24 Family Membership. The magic pumpkin is hidden on the upper Village grounds, in public areas, and in plain sight. To claim your prize, bring the golden pumpkin to the Admissions Desk. Please note there is limited access to the village. Please remember: Our golden pumpkin is shiny and bright, it is hidden in plain sight. No need to move, climb, or open a door, all you need is your eyes to see more. Crouch, bend, and squint your eyes, This is all you need to find the prize!

Hespeler Village Halloween Hunt



The W Feminist Night Market



Shop local, meet amazing artists and support YWCA Cambridge programming at The W! This event directly supports the programs for cis and trans women and girls, gender-diverse and Two-Spirit individuals in our community programs at The W! Join us for a day full of community and fundraising, shop the 15 local vendors, artists and small businesses and enjoy some sweet treats! This is a family-friendly event and will include trick or treating with the Halloween Hunt from 12-2pm, face painting and photo/selfie stations! Join us after 4pm for warm cider as you shop! Stay up to date on event information, activities and check out vendor highlights on our Instagram page @thefeministnightmarket! We hope to see you there!

Halloween Tote and Scavenger Hunt

Customize a spooky tote bag to collect all your Halloween goodies and spot all the little monsters during a scavenger hunt to score a prize. Dress for mess, all ages welcome! AGE GROUP: —Teens —Kids —Cambridge Art Galleries —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Arts —

Practice Your English Queen's Square

Meet new friends, learn about your community, share your culture and customs, and practice your English. Join us for casual conversation and connection led by experienced and friendly Idea Exchange volunteers. These weekly sessions cover various topics featuring group activities and one-on-one or one-on-two practice in a fun and helpful environment. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Newcomers —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Learn English —Language —ESL —Conversation —Circles —

4th Annual Kids Halloween Party

Creep, crawl or float over in your best costumes to Schneider Haus' outdoor kids party! Discover our haunted forest, trick-or-treat through our historic outbuildings, and explore all of our hauntingly fun adventures of the night. Enjoy fun and eerie stories read around the campfire and make a personalized magic wand to take home at our very own wand shop! This children's event is suitable for children 12 and under, all children must be accompanied by an adult. Visits are scheduled for up to 60 minutes. Admission: \$10 per child plus HST, \$5 per adult plus HST – please note that adults attending must purchase a ticket to enter the event and be accompanying a child. Advance ticket purchase is required for this event. No refunds. Event runs rain or shine. This event takes place entirely outdoors. The Historic Haus and galleries will be closed. Event Date and Times: Saturday, October 28, 2023. Time Tickets available between 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tickets are for a 60 minute visit.

Kids Halloween Party at Ken Seiling Waterloo Region Museum

This event is SOLD OUT. Check out our Kids Halloween Party at Schneider Haus for a spooktacular time! October 28

starting at 4 p.m. —Trick-or-Treat! Wear your scariest costume and take a walk through Doon Heritage Village lit with lanterns and carved pumpkins! Wear your scariest costume and walk through Doon Heritage Village, lit with lanterns and carved pumpkins. Enjoy the evening with our spooky tricks and treats! Each child will receive a pre-packaged goody-bag to enjoy at home after the event. Suitable for children 12 and under, must be accompanied by an adult. Admission: \$12 per child plus HST, \$5 per adult plus HST each. 10

October 29, 2023*Book Sale*

Sweater weather is better with books. Check out the deals at our Clemens Mill, Hespeler, Preston, and Queen's Square locations. Items are \$0.50 each or three (3) for \$1.00. You can also purchase a cloth Idea Exchange bag for \$5.00 and fill it yourself. Available items may include adult and children's books, magazines, CDs, and DVDs. Prices for select unusual items may differ and will be priced accordingly. All items are available AS IS. Please pay for all materials at the member services desk. Teachers, Daycare Providers, and Community Agencies: Speak to staff for discount. AGE GROUP: —Teens —Kids —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Book Sales —TAGS: —Book Sale —

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Dog Day at Doon - Halloween Pawty



Hey Dog Lovers! Halloween is all about tricks, treats and costumes, of course. We know how much you love to dress up and we know some of your furry friends do too! There's really not much more entertaining than a pooch strutting about in a costume they love! Get your canine companions all gussied up in their best Halloween garb and break free from your ordinary neighbourhood dog walks! Plan to join us for a fun Halloween Pawty stroll through Doon Heritage Village. You and your furry friends will enjoy limited access to our living history village for this special, safe doggie event and all pampered pooches will receive a wee pup-friendly Halloween treat. The Village will be decorated in a fun, spooky Halloween theme and everyone will enjoy the breathtaking views and historic rural buildings which are the perfect backdrop for your photogenic four-legged friends. Please note pets will not be allowed to enter the village historic buildings or museum galleries. All dogs must remain leashed.

SOLD OUT - Samhain (a.k.a. Halloween) Tea by the Grand at McDougall Cottage



Halloween enthusiasts, of all ages, are invited to don their favourite costumes and join us at McDougall Cottage for a fun-filled, spook-tacular tea to celebrate the coming of Samhain (a.k.a. Halloween). We'll be having some of our favourite tea treats alongside goodies with a special Halloween twist (the

term "finger sandwiches" takes on a whole new meaning). Plan to join us, if you dare. Costumes are encouraged, but not required. Reservations are required and space is limited, so reserve your spot now! Please note: Children under the age of three do not require a ticket, however please let us know if they are attending as it impacts our seating arrangements.

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Stories and Stretches



Stretch it out and get your body moving. Enjoy this unique program with its combination of stories, movement activities, and fun! Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —SchoolAged —Preschool —

Shake, Rattle, and Read



Come shake, rattle, and read with us! Complete a registration for EACH CHILD attending the event. Explore fun, active, and hands-on activities with your little one. Complete a registration for EACH CHILD attending the event. This will help us provide the best possible experience. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Preschool —Baby —

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Baby Connections



Get ready for some circle time fun! Complete a registration for EACH CHILD attending the event. Learn new songs and rhymes, share stories, and meet other caregivers, all while your little one is discovering the exciting world around them. Baby Connections is a free community program that provides each family with a take-home kit of resources. Please only register once in your baby’s first year. This program features giveaways for babies that are the same in each session. Complete a registration for EACH CHILD attending the event. This will help us provide the best possible experience. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —BabyAndParent —Baby —

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Totstime



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Art Cart



Drop in to create a unique craft! Colour a drawing, make a collage, build a sculpture! Try something new each time you visit the Art Cart! AGE GROUP: —Kids —Cambridge Art Galleries —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —CultureDays —Arts —

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Art Lab



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Cambridge Career Connections



Meet Cambridge Career Connections online for workshops on topics related to job searching and career development. All workshops are virtual, drop-in, and no registration is required. Join the program at the scheduled time on Zoom. September 19: Meet and Greet Discover how the Cambridge Career Connections employment team is able to assist Cambridge residents with their employment and job search needs. Learn about our pre-employment supports and how you can access these free services. In addition, you will learn about the wide variety of programs and supports Idea Exchange offers and how they inspire our community through reading, arts, innovation, and learning. September 26: Resume Development In the Resume Development workshop, participants will explore various resume styles including the structure and content of both chronological and functional resumes, while determining what style is appropriate. Participants will also learn resume "Do's and Don'ts" as well as what should be included in

Teen Chess Club



Fall teen drop-in chess club. Have fun playing the world's most popular board game with friends. Boards and pieces will be provided. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Teens —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —ScienceLiteracyWeek —Chess —BoardGames —

Families Under the Rainbow



We are happy to host Families Under the Rainbow In collaboration with SPECTRUM, Waterloo Region's Rainbow Community Space! Read along with stories, make crafts, and have fun playing together in a safe and supported environment for 2SLGBTQ+ youth, families, and allies. This program is generously funded by a grant from the Lyle S. Hallman Foundation. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —SPECTRUM —SchoolAged —Preschool —2SLGBTQ+ —

Focus on Leadership



Become a leader in your community and share your unique perspective. Focus on Leadership is designed to provide training for racialized women interested in becoming leaders of tomorrow. Our training will focus on how to become a board member and increase networking abilities to gain access to em-

ployment opportunities focusing on team-building, problem-solving, and decision-making. As board members, you will be able to apply these skills to bring about change in the community. The topics covered are: 1. Types of Boards: Governance vs. Operations 2. Board Responsibilities 3. Committees and Working Groups 4. What to Expect Once on a Board 5. Mid-Point Review and Evaluation 6. Leadership Primer / Communication 7. Decision Making 8. Teamwork About Focus For Ethnic Women Focus For Ethnic Women supports women in the Waterloo Region by providing a nurturing, culturally-sensitive environment that builds self-esteem, social networks, employment-related skills, and connections to meaningful employment. Cost:

Ukulele Meet-Up



Enjoy singing and smiling while strumming your ukulele with this casual group. All skill levels are welcome. If needed, you can borrow a ukulele with your Idea Exchange membership. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Teens —Kids —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Ukulele —Music —MeetUp —CultureDays —

Pyjama Tales



Hear a bedtime story, sing songs, and make a craft to take home. Wear your pyjamas and bring a stuffie to this evening's storytime for families. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Storytime —SchoolAged —Preschool —

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Hespeler Knitting Circle Meet Up



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Teen Trivia



From hit TV shows to professional sports, we will put your knowledge to the test. New themes weekly, and prizes to be won! Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Teens —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Trivia —

Silly Science



An afternoon full of silly science experiments. Complete a registration for EACH CHILD attending the event. Join library staff each week as we try different science experiments. Prepare to get messy and have fun! Complete a registration for EACH CHILD attending the event. This will help us provide the best possible experience. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Stem —Steam —Science —

Sensational Science



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Practice Your English for Families



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Board Game Café



From cards to Catan, this is a warm and friendly atmosphere for fans of low-tech table games. Selection of games available – try new games or bring your favourites with you! All interest levels are welcome, from low-key fun to deep strategy. Snacks and drinks are provided. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Teens —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Table Top Games —Games —Gamer —CultureDays —Board Games —

Preston Pumpkin Walk



Please join us for a Pumpkin Walk in Preston's Central Park on Wednesday, November 1, 2023! You may drop off your pumpkins at Central Park from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 1. Our volunteers will arrange your pumpkins along Central Park's walkways for one final performance. Following the event, our volunteers will provide the pumpkins to a local farm or compost them. *Please ensure that your pumpkins are free of metal, toothpicks, paint, or anything that may hurt animals if consumed.

Fibre Arts Meet Up



Calling all knit, crochet, embroidery, macrame, sewing, and other fibre arts enthusiasts for a weekly social meet-up. Join other fibre arts practitioners as you work on your own project in a social environment. Share ideas, enthusiasm, and tips with other like-minded folks. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —MeetUp —Fibre —CultureDays —Crafts —Arts —

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Kindness Rocks



Sing and dance, and practice self-confidence. It's time to sing and dance together to celebrate love! This music-based program encourages self-confidence as your little one practices new skills. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Singing —School Aged —Preschool —Music —Dancing —

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Fashion Show at Ted Wake Centre



On November 2nd, the Ted Wake 50+ Centre will be hosting a Fashion Show in conjunction with Northern Reflections. See the latest trends in fashion. Lovely food, coffee and tea are enjoyed during the show. Please register by Monday, October 30. Ted Wake Centre Fee: \$10.00 At the Johnson Centre – 31 Kribbs St Info: 519-740-4681 ext. 4460 and Recreation and Programs - 50+ - City of Cambridge

The SWAG Club



Snacks with arts and games! Join William weekly for creativity and fun. Hang out with a cool group of like-minded peeps and bring out your creative side. Every week has a different theme featuring unique take-home projects or games in a chill atmosphere. Grab your friends and join us for The SWAG Club! Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Teens —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Tween —Arts —

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Art Vibe



Let your creativity run wild! Experiment with a wide range of artistic styles and mediums. All necessary materials will be provided. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Crafts —Arts —

Youth Summit Parks Master Plan



Cambridge Parks Master Plan Youth Summit (13-24 year olds) Join us for a Youth Summit to talk parks! Thursday, November 2, 2023, 5-7 pm W.G. Johnson Centre, 31 Kribs St., Cambridge Help imagine the future of parks in Cambridge. If you're a youth (13+) in Cambridge we want to hear from you! Your input will help the City develop a Parks Master Plan. This event will include: Space is limited so register today! www.cambridge.ca/coral/activity/47043 Have a question? Contact Jennemail: blanchardj@cambridge.ca call/text: 519-223-1383 Learn more about the Parks Master Plan at www.cambridge.ca/parksplan

SPECTRUM Cambridge Transgender Peer Support Group



Join SPECTRUM for a discussion and to meet other local gender-diverse folks. Funded by a grant from the Cambridge and North Dumfries Community Foundation, the bi-weekly Cambridge Transgender Peer Support Group is an informal, discussion-based, drop-in program. This group is a space for adults that identify within the trans/gender variant umbrella. AGE GROUP: —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —SPECTRUM —Pride —adult —

Exploration of Music



Explore all these elements of music and so much more. Complete a registration for EACH CHILD attending the

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Ukulele Meet Up



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Pete Palooza



Keep rockin' in your school shoes! Rock out with Pete the Cat stories, songs, and activities! Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Kids —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —SchoolAged —

SOLD OUT - Bloody Berlin Walking Tour



Join Schneider Haus staff for an evening walk through the back alleys and side streets of downtown Kitchener as we talk about some of the scary, sexy, or just plain weird characters that have called our town home. Murders, executions, grave robbing, shootouts, villainous doctors, and even pandemics of the past. Come learn a little more about Bloody Berlin... if you dare! Admission: \$31 per person plus HST. Advance ticket purchase is required for this event, there will be no tickets sold at the door. Membership discount applies. No refunds. Information about Event: Suitable for ages 16 and up. Event runs rain or shine. This event takes place entirely outdoors and there will be no access to washrooms. The Historic Haus and galleries will be closed. Participants should dress for the weather and bring a flashlight (if possible). Please note: This approximately 90-minute walking tour will begin and end at Schneider Haus National Historic Site. The tour may include hills, stairs and uneven terrain.

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Connections 50+



Connect with other adults while enjoying concerts, crafting, chats, and more. This entertaining, senior-focused program features local musicians, guest speakers, and art activities with Cambridge Art Galleries staff, and much more. Lights snacks and refreshments served. September 15: Handpan drums and colouring! September 22: Arts and Crafts with the Gallery (Culture Days event) September 29: Afri-nanas of Cambridge and quilting craft (Culture Days event) October 6: Listen and draw! (Culture Days event) October 13: Art and Crafts with the Gallery (Culture Days event) October 20: Exploring instruments and group music with Axon Music Therapy October 27: Halloween party! November 3: Art and Crafts with the Gallery November 10: Remembrance November 17: Printmaking with guest artist, Kari Melhus Mullin November 24: Card making with the Gallery Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Cambridge Art Galleries —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —Live Performances —TAGS: —Seniors —CultureDays —Concert —

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Career and Job Support



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AGE GROUP: —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —resume —jobs —employment

Cambridge Sports Awards 50th Anniversary Banquet



Come celebrate 50 years of sporting excellence in Cambridge, from outstanding high school teams to professional athletes and Olympians. Join us for an evening to recognize this year's award winners and to honour the rich history of athletic excellence in Cambridge. Cocktails at 5pm. Dinner at 6pm to be followed by awards. Guest speaker: Lawyer and former National lacrosse player Anne Benedetti. Evening events include dinner, raffle, memorabilia, video presentation, caricaturist, etc. Purchase your ticket in advance on Eventbrite. Adult: \$54.58, Child/Youth: \$27.96

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Cambridge Farmers' Market



Ask yourself a few simple questions... Our hope is that you answered, "Yes," to all of the above questions, and that's what we love about food: It is a common bond we all share, a single thread that when talked about, brings to mind all sorts of stories and experiences that we can share. Farmers' markets are a centre of commerce and socializing, a venue for combining old with new and a place for new ideas to be explored and celebrated. The Cambridge Farmers' Market (CFM) is our community food hub. It is where residents gather to talk about food and community happenings. It's where awareness is built and the beginnings of change takes place. The CFM dates back to the 1830s with the current market building holding its seat on Dickson Street since 1887. The presence of the market in conjunction with other civic structures, the Town Halls, is an English tradition that is as relevant today as it was when the market was built. The CFM building's continued use as a market is unique in Ontario. While

Creating with Flowers



Make beautiful art using flowers in this fun workshop. Learn how to use flowers in various ways to make creative artworks including pressing, drying, and printing. Bring your own special flowers or use those provided. This workshop is presented in partnership with the Cambridge School of Flowers. AGE GROUP: —Teens —Cambridge Art Galleries —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Arts —

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SOLD OUT “The Architecture of Galt” - Soup and Stroll



Come for the walk, stay for the soup! What could be better on a chilly fall day, than an interesting and enlightening stroll, followed by a warm bowl of hearty and delicious Scotch Broth soup in our cozy Cottage on the banks of the Grand? Plan to join us for a fall walking tour of the area surrounding McDougall Cottage. We'll explore the architecture of “The Granite City”, looking at how Scottish masons constructed the stone houses that the workers and business owners lived in and that the early industries of the areas were built on. We'll talk about what happens when architectural heritage of an area is lost and how we can protect it for future generations. Finally, we'll walk through the neighborhoods that host the baronial houses atop the hills of West Galt and then head back to the Cottage for a tasty treat. This walking tour may include hills, stairs and uneven terrain. Participants should dress for the weather. Phones are recommended, but not required, to access additional information.

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Stories and Stretches



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Time for Twos and Threes



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Double the Thrills Author Evening



An evening of chills and thrills with two award-winning authors. Meet two award-winning authors, learn more about their latest books and stay to enjoy the refreshments, book giveaways, and more. Stop by the Rookery Books table to purchase novels and get them signed by your favourite author as a memento of this thrilling evening. The Lie Maker By Linwood Barclay In this twisty, fast-paced thriller from the New York Times bestselling author of Find You First and Take Your Breath Away, a man desperately tries to track down his father—who was taken into witness protection years ago—before his enemies can get to him. Your dad's not a good person. Your dad killed people, son. These are some of the

last words Jack Givins' father spoke to him before he was whisked away by witness protection, leaving Jack and his mother to pick up the shattered pieces of their lives as best they could. Years later, Jack is a grown man with problems of his own. He's a talented but struggling author, barely scraping by

Conversations for Community Care



Join Porchlight and our partners for an evening of community conversation. Bringing together Muslim women to discuss mental health with our partners Porchlight Counselling and Addiction Services, Muslim Women of Cambridge, and the Coalition of Muslim Women. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —Community —

Intermediate Photography



Take your photography skills to the next level. Discuss the tricks of shooting a variety of subjects including composition, macro-photography, and simple portraiture with local photographer Jason Gennings. Participants should have a basic understanding of photography and will need to bring their own camera to class. Cost: Free AGE GROUP: —Teens —Cambridge Art Galleries —Adults —EVENT TYPE: —Programs + Workshops —TAGS: —workshop —photography —Arts —