

# MEDIA ADVISORY/ PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

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Vaughan Public Libraries Celebrates the Grand Re-Opening of the Newly Renovated Kleinburg Library, December 8 at 1 P.M.

WHAT: Vaughan Public Libraries (VPL) invites the community to celebrate the

grand re-opening of the newly renovated Kleinburg Library on Monday, Dec. 8. Customers can see the library's new look while enjoying light refreshments. A special storytime program will be held after the official welcome and will be attended by 40 Grade One students from the Kleinburg Public School. Parents with children are also invited to participate in the storytime program. Light refreshments

will be offered to everyone.

WHEN: Monday, December 8, 2014

1:30 p.m. Official Welcome

Margie Singleton, CEO, Vaughan Public Libraries, Library Board Trustees and Members of Council

1:40 p.m. **Storytime Program** 

40 Grade One children from Kleinburg Public School

will be attending the storytime program.

2 p.m. Cake and Refreshments, 2<sup>nd</sup> Level

WHERE: Kleinburg Library

10341 Islington Avenue North

ATTACHMENTS: Project Background/VPL's Building Projects Blog

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#### PROJECT BACKGROUND:

"I am pleased to announce that the renovations have now been completed at Kleinburg Library. This renovation project has given Kleinburg a whole new look. We are very thankful for the financial support we received from the City of Vaughan which made this large-scale renovation possible. We are excited to invite everyone in the community to come and see the library." said Michael McKenzie, Chair of Vaughan Public Library Board.

"We are proud of the newly renovated Kleinburg Library and we hope that customers will enjoy the many new features it offers such as the large new windows bringing vast amounts of natural light into the library, the newly created outdoor reading garden on the south side of the library and a fully accessible ramp to the lower level" said Margie Singleton, CEO of Vaughan Public Libraries. "We also invite everyone to peruse the variety of programs and take advantage of the many services available at Kleinburg Library. Please come and enjoy the new surroundings."

The renovation project at Kleinburg has been completed in accordance with VPL's Strategic Plan – *Empower People, Inspire Opportunities, Build Community* which identifies VPL's commitment to build communities by enhancing library spaces and creating welcoming environments. Extensive work has been done to both the interior and exterior of the building.

#### Interior Renovations:

- Added two large windows to the front of the library on the main level increasing the visibility to see both into and out of the library
- Created a large new window on the south wall of the library's upper level
- Leveled the floor on the upper level and put down new carpet
- Added a new railing for the stairway
- Installed new lighting and HVAC throughout
- Renovated the staff workroom
- Upgraded electrical and data requirements

#### **Exterior Renovations:**

- Replaced the existing fire and emergency stair structure on the north side
- Created a reading garden on the south side of the library
- Completed the cement pathway from the front of library to the new rear entrance
- Replaced all existing windows
- Improved exterior lighting
- Replaced existing wood/aluminum siding
- Repaired and replaced the roof
- Removed the existing roof ladder
- Added new entrance to the lower floor of library from the exterior on east side
- Removed existing exterior stairs and structure to lower level from the front of library

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#### VAUGHAN PUBLIC LIBRARIES' BUILDING PROJECTS BLOG

VPL offers a building projects blog accessible online at <a href="www.vaughanpl.info">www.vaughanpl.info</a> to provide updates on the progress of new libraries being built in the City of Vaughan and renovations being done to existing branches of Vaughan Public Libraries.

#### **VAUGHAN PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

Vaughan Public Libraries offers welcoming destinations that educate, excite and empower the community. Annually, VPL welcomes over two million visitors making it one of the top leisure and information destinations within the City of Vaughan. VPL is more than just a place to borrow books. Each year we offer hundreds of programs for people of all ages, you can enjoy our incredible array of content everywhere — in the library, at home or on your handheld device. For more information on VPL's programs and services visit <a href="https://www.vaughanpl.info">www.vaughanpl.info</a> and subscribe to our eNewsletter- <a href="https://www.vaughanpl.info">The Buzz</a>.

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